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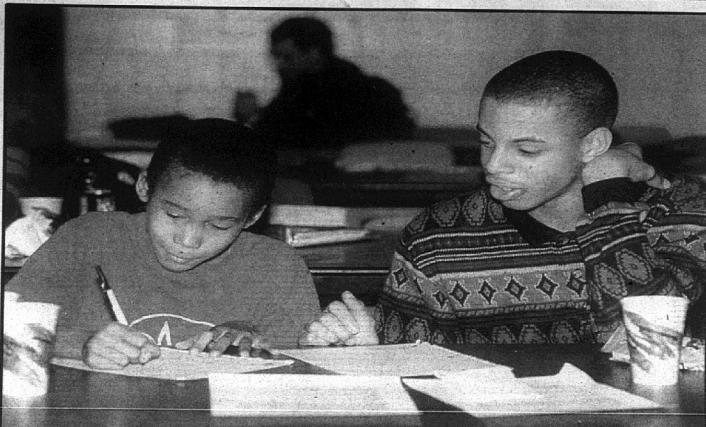
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Madison Middle School fifth grader Demitrius Terrell fills out a questionnaire while completing a project in Big Brothers/Big Sisters with his big brother, Eric DeBow, a Madison High School student.

Big brothers get some help

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

The "bigs" are back. And this time they've brought the "bigs" along as part of an effort to help the " littles."

The bigs are Madison Senior High School students who have volunteered to participate in the district's Big Brother/Big Sister program.

The littles are the fifth-grade students they help and mentor. The big-bigs are the new

wrinkle to the program.

This year the program uses five students from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville to assist and help mentor the high schoolers.

The addition was possible because of a \$10,000 grant from the Illinois State Board of Education.

The grant is part of the board's Learn and Serve program.

The grant is used to pay the college students a \$400 stipend for gas and other expenses. The rest

of the money is used for transportation and other costs for the program — including group trips.

The program started with fourth-grade students at Harris School in Granite City and then to the fifth grade at Madison Middle School.

Karen Reeb, a case manager for Bigs/Bigs, said the program this year is progressing well. (See BROTHERS, Page 8A)

Subscription envelope in paper

Tucked inside today's Suburban Journal is the semiannual voluntary subscription envelope that many readers use to help support the continued free distribution of the newspaper.

For 75 years, the Journal has been a part of the community, providing extensive local coverage of neighborhoods, cities and schools. In addition, local youth sports, as well as food and nutrition news, have been a major focus of the newspaper. Community news is a tradition we intend to continue.

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For those who have supported the Journal in the past, and those who will support us in the future, we thank you.

Helpless feeling Firemen watch village hall burn

By Mike Viola
Staff writer

Firefighters in National City had to stand helplessly and watch their village hall burn to the ground early Friday morning.

The firefighters could not fight the blaze because all of their trucks and equipment were stored in the building.

"It was one of the most heartbreaking things that I could have happened to a firefighter," said James Mitchell, assistant fire chief for the National City Fire Department. "It just kind of ripped my heart out."

The fire destroyed nearly all of the village's fire fighting equipment, police equipment and village records.

The fire department lost three pumpers, breathing apparatuses, tools

and other equipment worth about \$500,000.

The fire started in the rear of the building and quickly spread through Village Hall. The building is so old that once it got started and into the ceiling it was over," Mitchell said.

Village Hall was located in a building that was about 80 years old. It had originally been built to store meat in the National City Stockyards.

As local firefighters tried to save some of the equipment, firefighters from neighboring communities such as Brooklyn, Fairmont City and Godfrey responded to the blaze.

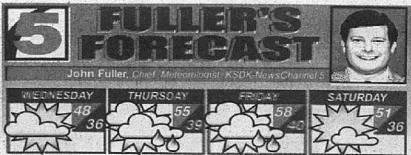
By the time the other departments arrived, Village Hall was a complete loss.

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City looking at options

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

A fire that destroyed the National City police station, fire department and city hall has limited the village's options at a time when two neighboring communities are positioning themselves to annex the town.

Early Friday morning, a fire swept through the National City Village Hall, destroying almost everything, including three fire trucks.

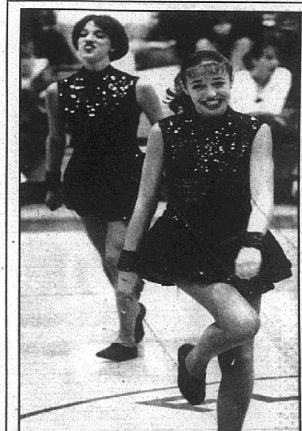
By Saturday, the fire department

was using a truck borrowed from the city of St. Louis, and the city government was running out of a trailer located on Kortright Avenue. An emergency meeting of the village board was scheduled for Monday in the cafeteria at the National City Stockyards to discuss the city's options.

Mayor Lorie Marshall said the village's options were somewhat limited, but said she didn't want to speculate on the possibility of being annexed by either Fairmont City or the

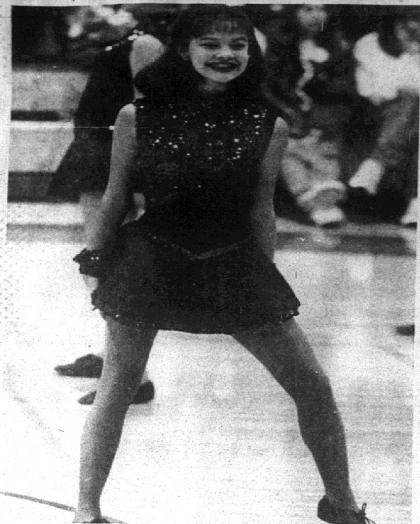
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Winners — Granite City drill team member Julie Mills dances at the super sectional competition in Collinsville. The team won first place in two categories and qualified to compete at state. Behind her is Julie Martinez. More photos on Page 2A.

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Drills — The Granite City girls drill team recently competed in the supersectional at Collinsville High School. The team won first place in the pom pom and dance competition and qualified to compete in the state contest in Peoria. This was the first time a Granite City pom pom squad qualified to compete at the state level. Above, dance squad member Sara Halbrook performs. At right, Julie Mills performs in the pom pom contest. Behind her is Heather Justice. Below, the team performs.



(Photos by MARK BONEBRAKE)

Edwardsville backs state bike trail plan

Edwardsville will help Illinois develop a statewide system of bike trails connecting parks, historical sites and natural preserves.

The City Council passed a resolution last week endorsing the state plan.

The council also appointed Paul McNamara, city director of community administration, to the Metro-East Greenway Alliance Technical Advisory Task Force.

McNamara will help the task force develop a plan to connect

existing bike trails throughout Madison, St. Clair and Monroe counties.

“Edwardsville is considered pretty much the hub because of the number of abandoned rail lines,” McNamara said.

Bike trails are often built along old rail lines, which crisscross throughout Edwardsville and extend out to surrounding towns.

“JoAnn Joshi Agne, community planner for the Greenway Alliance, said the task force will initially identify

and map the following:

Scenic areas, stream corridors, bodies of water, wetlands, floodplains, cultural and historical sites, natural areas, parks, utility and transportation corridors and abandoned railroad rights of way.

The task force will then develop a plan for extending bike trails to “connect (the identified sites) and create greenways,” McNamara said.

“Plans developed locally will become the statewide

greenway plan so that there is a system of greenway plans throughout Illinois.”

— From The Telegraph

Officer hurt making arrest

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

A Venice police officer was injured while subduing a suspect early Thursday morning following a car chase through Venice and Brooklyn.

The man, Terrence A. Johnson of Centreville, was charged with 11 misdemeanors following the incident. Charges included driving without insurance, resisting arrest, aggravated assault, aggravated fleeing to elude police, speeding, three counts of disobeying a stop sign, improper lane usage, disorderly conduct and criminal damage to property.

According to police, at approximately 12:11 a.m. two Venice officers observed a car with two occupants run a stop sign at Broadway and Klein. They attempted to stop the car, but the driver appeared to be pulling over and then sped away.

Venice, Brooklyn, National City and Madison County police chased the car into Brooklyn, where the passengers jumped out and ran away. The driver was not apprehended.

The car then headed northbound on Illinois 3, but Brooklyn police forced it to stop in the parking lot of the Fantasyland Night Club.

As he was being arrested, Johnson allegedly struggled with police. During that struggle, one of the Venice officers was injured.

After the incident, the officer went to St. Elizabeth Medical Center for X-rays and was told he fractured a bone in his right hand. He was treated and released.

According to reports, Johnson refused medical attention.

Argosy drops plan for Indiana

Argosy Gaming Co. of Alton canceled a planned \$235 million resort, starting Wednesday as a result of an Indianapolis grand jury investigation in which company records have been subpoenaed.

“Although the company has no knowledge of any unlawful conduct, in light of the fact that the existence of the grand jury and its documents request subpoena did not come to our attention until recently, after the decision was made to proceed with the financing at this time, given that investors were not afforded the opportunity to evaluate the effect of the grand jury proceedings on the company’s Lawrenceburg (Indiana) casino project,” Argosy chief executive officer J. Thomas Long said in a written statement.

An Argosy news release Wednesday also said the company “believes ... that the grand jury is investigating matters relating to the awarding of the certificate of suitability to Indiana Gaming Co. for the Lawrenceburg casino project.”

Indiana Gaming Co. is a partnership in which Argosy owns 58 percent.

The controversy surrounding the investigation has helped plummet Argosy stockholders. The company’s stock plunged another 1% points Wednesday to a 52-week low of 63 1/4 a share on the Nasdaq exchange. The stock fell about 1 point Tuesday.

Indiana Gaming Co. officials previously reported that the grand jury probe appears to be primarily targeting a powerful state lawmaker who is employed by Argosy’s principal partner in the project, Conseco Inc., a financial conglomerate.

The lawmaker also has received nearly \$40,000 in consulting fees from an engineering firm working on the Lawrenceburg project, the *Indianapolis Star* and *Indianapolis News* have reported.

Argosy had planned to use at least \$100 million of the mortgage to toward development of the largest riverboat casino in America at Lawrenceburg. It had planned to borrow \$100 million to pay off a higher-interest line of credit and the rest for other company purposes. Long earlier had said that might include expansion of dockside facilities for Argosy’s Alton Belle Casino.

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Alderman blasts ambulance response

Venice man died as result of heart attack

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Response time for emergency workers in an incident resulting in the death of a Venice man was unacceptable, alderman Celestine Williams said at last week's council meeting.

On March 12, Robert L. Jones of the 1000 block of Third Street died after being taken to St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. The cause of death was listed as a heart attack.

An ambulance from Lifesource Paramedic Ambulance Corp. was dispatched from Pontoon Beach, and arrived at approximately 7:39 a.m. Williams said the police and ambulance workers should have responded to the 911 call for the call. She also criticized the "attitude" of ambulance workers at the scene, and the police department for not sending an officer to the scene until almost 45 minutes after the first call.

Williams, who said she was at the scene, said ambulance attendants seemed more concerned about the victim's insurance than his condition.

"That attitude they had, they can take back to Pontoon Beach, she said.

Les Hawthorne, operations manager for Lifesource, said it was a typical ambulance run with normal response times.

He said the company received the call at 7:22 a.m. and arrived at 7:39 a.m..

He said the 14 minute response time was normal.

"There was nothing out of the ordinary," he said.

Mayor Tyrone Echols said he had reviewed the police department's 911 tapes, and the first call came at 7:17 a.m., with a second call at 7:32 a.m.

He said no officer was dispatched at the time because the only police officer working was

manning the desk at the police station. Eventually, Police Chief Jim Bennett was contacted and arrived on the scene.

Because of a shortage of dispatchers, officers have been handling much of the desk duties at the police station for some time.

"We have to wait for an ambulance to come back to the scene because we haven't hired dispatchers," Echols said.

He also said ambulance response time has been a concern since Lifesource stopped keeping an ambulance in Venice.

Echols said a problem was the city did not generate enough calls to support a two-person ambulance crew, and the city did not have the money to subsidize the service.

Later in the meeting, Williams criticized City Auditor Casper Nighohossian over the demolition of a building.

The cost of the demolition is being paid by Madison County Community Development.

She said the demolition process has been held up for more than a year because of Nighohossian.

Nighohossian said he was never sent proper instructions, and other improperly filled out papers had been sent to the county without his knowledge.

"I don't know who sent it up there," he said. He also said title searches on the properties had been completed some time ago, but had been allowed to sit too long and had to be redone.

"All these people (owners) have to be given proper notice," he said.

Building Inspector John Henry Williams, the brother of Celestine Williams, said part of the problem was that Nighohossian was too busy, helping others properly and some outside help should be sought.

"I'm not saying he's not doing the job; he's overloaded," he said.

Agency pushes youth schooling

The Illinois Department of Employment Security wants to "raise the bar" for the Future 2000 and encourage young people to stay in school.

The statewide summer employment program origi-

nated in the Chicago area as an incentive for at-risk youths to stay in school, IDES spokesman David P. Hirsch said.

Local programs are offered through the Alton and Glen Carbon Employment Security

offices.

To participate, youths must be between the ages of 16 to 21, and attain a "C" average in school, have eighth-grade math and reading skills, a 90 percent school attendance record and no more than a 10 percent tardance rate.

The program "encourages employers to hire preschool students for summer jobs — especially in growth oriented, entry-level occupations," according to a program brochure.

The Illinois Department of Employment Security has contracts with area high school officials who pick potential participants from their student body.

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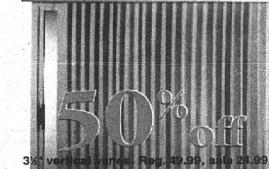
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LOCAL NEWS

Obituaries

Edward Nichols

Edward B. Nichols, 77, of Granite City, died at 6:45 a.m. Saturday, March 23, 1996, at his residence. He was born Dec. 25, 1918, in Belleville.

An insurance agent with State Farm for 45 years, he was an ordained minister and a Merchant Marines veteran.

Mr. Nichols was a founder and charter member of the Cedar View Baptist Church in Granite City and a former member of the Egyptian Ram Club. He was a RAM radio operator and the first president of the Granite City Exchange Club.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline (Kirk) Nichols, whom he married in 1938; three sons, Terrell E. and Trenton G. Nichols, both of Granite City, and Timothy P. Nichols of Ran-tou; one brother, Oliver Nichols of Belleville; one sister, Edna Durkin of Granite City; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Harry W. Nichols; Sr. and Mrs. (Cazzad) Nichols; and one brother, Harry W. Nichols Jr.

Services were Tuesday at Irwin Chapel in Granite City with the Rev. Bruce Rugg officiating. Burial was in St. John Cemetery, Nameoki Road in Granite City.

Memorials are requested for the American Heart Association or the American Diabetes Association.

Estella Bone

Estella L. (Ashby) Bone, 74, of Granite City died at 9:10 a.m. Friday, March 22, 1996, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville, following a stroke. She was born July 15, 1921 in Delton, Mich., and had been a resident of Granite City for 45 years.

Mrs. Bone was a member of the Venice-Madison American Legion Post 307 Auxiliary, where she served as past president; and the Royal Neighbors.

Survivors include one son, Jason Bone of Granite City; two brothers, Joseph Toenyes of Alhambra and George Toenyes of Gaithersburg, Tenn.; and three sisters,

River

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in the river at about 11 a.m. The two were in the water for almost 90 minutes before nearby boats could pull them out.

They were originally spotted by a passing boat, but that boat could not assist them and radioed for help. The towboat Midland responded, but by that time Karla Dugan had already died.

The towboat was not secured.

Otto said authorities have not determined exactly why the boat overturned, but said a storm front that blew in might have contributed to the accident.

Craft fair set for Saturday

The American Legion Post 113 Ladies Auxiliary will hold a craft fair from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 30, at the post home, 1825 State St. in Granite City. The public is invited to attend. A \$1 donation will be collected.

For more information, call 876-9438.

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SUNDAY
School of the Bible... 9:30 A.M.
Morning Worship... 10:30 A.M.
Children's Church... 10:30 A.M.
Evening Worship... 7:30 P.M.
MONDAY
Youth Bible Study... 7:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY
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Come join us and share the excitement!!

Beverly Beneke and Ruby Entlow, both of Alton, and Vickie Morrison of Brandon, Miss. She was preceded in death by her husband, Oscar Bone, who died in 1984; her parents, Clyburn and Grace (Welch) Ast; her two brothers, Edward and Albert Toenyes; and three sisters, Virginia Hall, Madeline Blackburn and Frieda Britton.

Services were held Monday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary in Granite City with the Rev. Mark Powell officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Beatrice Tharp

Beatrice L. Tharp, 85, of Charlotte, N.C., formerly of Granite City and Collinsville, died Sunday, March 24, 1996, at the Brain Center in Charlotte, N.C. She was born June 12, 1911, in Texas.

Mrs. Tharp was a homemaker and beautician.

Survivors include two sisters, Dorothy of St. Louis, and Carol Jensen of Charlotte. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leroy I. Tharp. Graveside services and visitation were held Saturday, March 23, 1996, at the Interfaith Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis County.

Services were held Monday at Irwin Chapel in Granite City with the Rev. Bruce Rugg officiating. Burial was in St. John Cemetery in Granite City.

Memorials are requested for the Collinsville Memorial Public Library, 405 W. Main St., Collinsville, Ill., 62234.

F. M. McKenzie

F. Marie (Power) McKenzie, 70, of Granite City died at 10:40 a.m. Saturday, March 23, 1996, at her residence following a stroke. She was born Aug. 14, 1925, in Granite City, where she had been a lifelong resident.

A home-care worker for the Community Care Center for four years prior to her retirement in 1986, she worked as a volunteer and was a member of the St. Elizabeths Medical Center Ladies Auxiliary.

Survivors include two sons, Clarence Hoffman of Collinsville and Virgil Linn of Michigan City, Ind.; four daughters, Sandra Briley of Maeville, Rhonda and Darla Earon, both of Granite City, and Carol Evans of Birmingham; four sisters, Jean Pascoe of Michigan and Ruth Percy, Helen Donaue

and Wilma Murphy, all of Granite City; 21 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, A.J. McKenzie, whom she married July 1, 1956, in Hot Springs, Ark.; one son, David DeLoach, 1992; one daughter, Virgie "Cookie" Hankins; her parents, William and Savilla (Bishop) Powers; and one sister, Ruth Ferguson.

Services were Tuesday at Mercer Mortuary in Granite City with the Rev. Henry Crippen officiating. Burial was in St. John Cemetery in Granite City.

Vivian Courtright

Vivian L. (Miller) Courtright, 82, of Granite City died at 11:40 a.m. Saturday, March 23, 1996, at Collinsville Care Center in Collinsville, where she had been born Nov. 1913, in Finley, Ill.

A homemaker, she attended Trinity United Methodist Church in Granite City and New Life Assembly of God, Granite City and was a volunteer of the Salvation Army in Granite City.

Survivors include two sons, Walter Courtright Jr. of Hillsboro and Clarence Courtright of Granite City; four daughters, Vera Franklin of Danville, Ind.; Betty Courtright of Edwardsville, Carolyn Locardi of Maryville, and Jo King of Poplar Bluff, Mo. Four sisters, Mary Warren of Collinsville and Mary Mansfield and June Smith, both of Decatur; 19 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Everett; her parents, Lawrence B. and Jessie (Snapp) Miller; one brother; and one sister.

Services were Tuesday at Irwin Chapel in Granite City.

Memorials are requested for the Salvation Army.

J. Mangiaracino

Joseph Mangiaracino died Monday, March 25, 1996.

Arrangements are pending with Irwin Chapel in Granite City, 931-8000.

Lloyd Perrin

Lloyd D. Perrin Sr., 74, of Big Rock, Tenn., formerly of Granite City died Saturday, March 23, 1996, at Clarksville Memorial Hospital in Clarksville, Tenn. He was born March 16, 1921, in Ste. Genevieve, Tenn.

A Baptist minister for 30 years prior to his retirement, he was a member of Calvary Baptist Church and a United States

Plant

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John Hamm, Alexis Lux, Michael Vrabeck and Eleanor Armour visited plants similar to the proposed Madison plant in Michigan. They brought back pictures, fuel samples and video of their trip.

However, City Attorney Casper Nighohossian told them they could not use the materials or their trip as a basis for making the decision.

At the siting hearing appear in January, Andria testified that a copy of the siting hearing transcript was not available from the state. The transcript was not available until 30 days after the hearing. She said she had seen a copy obtained by someone else the day before the comment period ended.

The previous week, Edgar signed the repeat of sections of the Retail Rate Law providing tax credits to trade-to-energy plants.

In a letter to members of the legislature last March 14, he said the retail rate law "had never existed."

"The ill-conceived and ill-advised law exposed our taxpayers to paying billions of dollars in incentives," he said.

The law required utilities to purchase electrical power from wind farms instead of the local municipal retail plant in exchange for credits against the state utility tax. The credit was equal to the difference between the retail rate and the utility's own cost of generating power.

Edgar had asked for its repeal in his State of the State address. The legislature responded by overwhelmingly approving a repeal the next day.

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Palm Sunday, March 31

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Into Jerusalem

9:00 A.M. Worship & Sunday School

10:00 A.M. Fellowship Hour

10:30 A.M. Worship & The Rite of Confirmation

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7:30 P.M. Worship & Holy Communion

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Sunday School

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10:30 A.M. Worship & Holy Communion

Nursery Available

The public is invited to attend all services.

Let's relive the Story, and allow it to touch

and empower our lives!

March 24, 1996. She was born March 15, 1964, in Granite City, where she had been a lifelong resident.

A homemaker, she was of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include her husband, Gary D. Dugan, Sr.; one son, Michael Keithly of Granite City; one daughter, Shannon Keithly of Granite City; her parents, Carl Tidwell and Bonnie (Pruett) Lebold, both of Granite City; one brother, David Tidwell of Granite City; and two sisters, Sharon Carroll and Linda Tidwell, both of Granite City.

Services are at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 6, at Werner Chapel in Granite City.

Services were Monday at Angel Funeral Home in Dover, Tenn., with the Rev. John Richardson officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Lola Biggs

Lola M. (Bennett) Biggs, 81, of Pontoon Beach died at 5:15 p.m. Friday, March 22, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center following a 10-year illness. She was born Oct. 14, 1914, in Kennett, Mo., and had been a resi-

dent of Pontoon Beach for 58 years.

A homemaker, she was of the Pentecostal faith.

Mrs. Biggs was a former president of the Long Lake Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary.

Survivors include three sons, Hoppe and Eddie, both of Pontoon Beach, and Keith Biggs of Orlando, Fla.; three daughters, Joyce Biggs of Granite City and JoAnn Bartold and David Bartold of Las Vegas, Nev.; two brothers, Norman Bennett of Arlington Heights and Oran Bennett of Rector, Ark.; one sister, Carrie Jackson of Kennett; 22 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, J. B. Biggs, who died in 1994; and her parents, Joseph and Josephine (Goole) Bennett.

Services were Tuesday at Werner Chapel for Funerals in Pontoon Beach with the Rev. Jerry Lebold officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials are requested for Word of Life Tabernacle Building Fund in Granite City.



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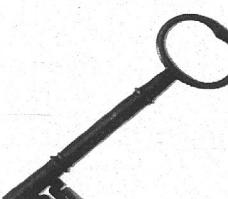
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LOCAL NEWS



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Bus route changes in effect

Minor spring service changes became effective Monday on several bus routes serving Madison County.

The changes include the #503 Granite City-East St. Louis line, which was rerouted from State St. Madison between 13th and 14th Streets to run on the Granite City Transit Center.

In addition, minor schedule adjustments will be made on the following routes: #531 Pontoon Limited; #514x, Bethalto-Wood River Express; #503x, Edwardsville Express.

For more information on Madison County bus route changes or on bus timetables, call Bi-State Trans. Information from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. weekdays or 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekends at 271-2345 in Illinois.

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"This year we have more matches," she said.

Adding the college students has also worked very well, she added. "The college students are mentors for the high school students, who are mentors for the grade school student, like a trickle-down effect," she said.

"We're just trying to do a bunch of outside activities," she said. "We're going to do the Fox at the end of this month; we're going to do it as a group." College senior Eric Norwood, an employment relations major at SIUE, said he enjoyed the program.

"It's really nice," he said. "I've always been the type of person who wanted to be a motivator."

He found out about it through a friend who works at Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

He said it is important to set an example for the kids.

Madison High School junior Eric DeBose said he also enjoyed working with the kids.

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County will get 1st congressman in century

SPRINGFIELD — A Madison County resident is going to the U.S. House of Representatives for the first time in 100 years — ending a long town rivalry resulting from last week's primaries in the 20th Congressional District.

With a total of nine candidates seeking votes in the sprawling 18-county district, third-term Democrat Jay D. Shirkus, Hoffman and second-term Republican Madison County Treasurer John Shirkus won their party's respective nominations.

The two candidates live within a few miles of each other in Collingsville.

The last time a Madison County resident was elected to the U.S. House was more than a century ago, in December 1895, when lawyer William H. Edwards, a Republican, was elected to replace a congressman who had died.

Hadley was unable to hold on to the seat in the next general election in 1896, however, and eventually moved to California. He is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery in Edwardsville.

"I think Jay is the exciting," Shirkus said Wednesday. "Jay and I are friends, and I hope that will cause us both to stay on the issues and our records."

"I think Jay has to do real well in Madison County, but I think I'll beat him," added Shirkus, who is the only countywide

Republican officeholder. Hoffman said, "It won't be a regional battle, obviously, because we come from the same place. It's conducive to talking more about the entire 20th Congressional District than about geography."

Hoffman said he would emphasize his experience as an "effective legislator" while defending fiscal programs that help elderly and working people.

"We're going to talk a lot about the federal government giving better service at less cost and we have a record of showing we have done that effectively at the local level," Shirkus, 38, said.

Hoffman, 34, grew up in Highland but lived in the St. Clair County portion of Collingsville for six years before moving back across the Madison County line into the 20th District in October.

He said he previously lived only about a half-mile from Shirkus.

"Now we live across town; I live near Route 159 and he lives near Route 157," Hoffman said.

Shirkus and Hoffman predict their race will be one of the hot congressional contests in the

nation because the district is considered "competitive" from a partisan standpoint. The seat is open because U.S. Rep. Richard Durbin, D-Springfield, is running for the U.S. Senate.

Shirkus noted that U.S. House Democratic Leader Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., held a fund-raiser for Hoffman. "I think he's outraised me 3-to-1 in (political action committee) contributions."

Hoffman said he didn't expect to raise as much money as Republicans. "We'll be competitive," though, he said, adding he expects help from the national Democratic congressional campaign committee.

Hoffman beat his sole opponent, Springfield attorney G. C. Cushman, by winning 84 percent of the vote.

Shirkus won 51 percent of the Republican primary vote. Sangamon County Circuit Court Clerk Carl Olinger was a distant second with 18 percent, followed by 10th District candidate Bill Owens of Springfield, 14 percent; Rick Angel of Litchfield, 10 percent; Jim Zerkel of Springfield, 3 percent; and Patrick Baikauskas and David Green of Springfield, both with about 2 percent.

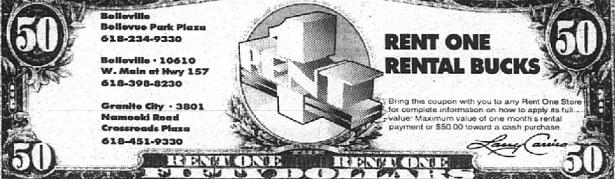
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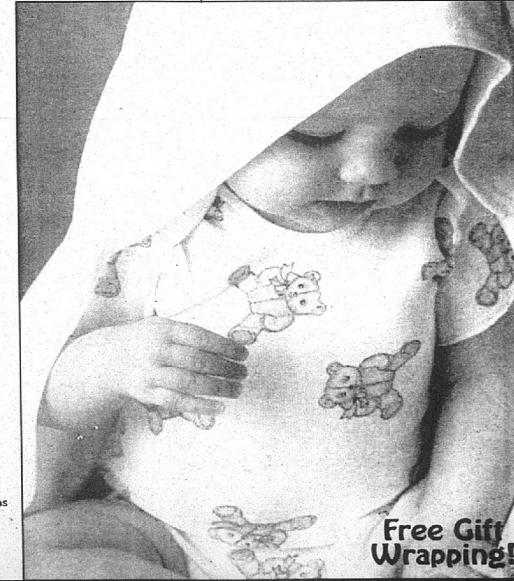
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Today's Food

Wednesday, March 27, 1996

Food & Nutrition

Wise Ways

Welcome spring with spears of fresh asparagus.

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Discover new ports with ancient flavor roots by setting sail for adventure in the kitchen.

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Pork chops get winning flavor from orange juice.

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Flavorite has an invitation on its instant oatmeal "for kids only" at Dierbergs. Would it impress all ages?

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Glaze gives ham conventional edge in unconventional microwave setting.

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Lively Taste

Pump up the flavor of mashed potatoes with garlic instead of butter or margarine. Cook 4 medium potatoes, peeled, with 2 large cloves garlic, quartered, and add enough water to steam potatoes. When potatoes are soft enough to mash, add 1/3 cup skim milk and 1 tablespoon freeze-dried chives. Beat until smooth. Before serving, sprinkle with paprika.

Health & Fitness

Medicine Chest

Rebecca Coley outlines the do's and don'ts of a new over-the-counter treatment for vaginal yeast infections.

Fresh Picks

For a brunch pancake topping, broil oranges. Arrange orange cartwheel slices — 6 slices from each of 2 pieces fruit — on a baking sheet. Combine 1 tablespoon pancake syrup, 1 tablespoon honey, 1 teaspoon grated orange peel, and generous pinch of cinnamon and nutmeg. Brush each orange slice lightly with mixture. Sprinkle with chopped nuts. This can be done ahead of time. Broil 4 to 5 inches from heat 2 to 3 minutes until just hot. Serve on or with pancakes.

Big Fat Tip

Play sweet and savory flavors against each other to give old favorites a new twist. Prepare 1-1/2 cups quick-cooking brown rice according to package directions, sprinkling 3 tablespoons dried parsley on top of the mixture to steam while it cooks. At the same time, grate 1 lemon to get about 3/4 teaspoon rind, then squeeze to get 1 tablespoon juice. When rice is done, slowly add lemon juice while fluffing rice lightly with a fork for even distribution. Toss with the lemon rind and 3 dates, pitted and chopped, until well combined.

Future Shop

Fortifying foods with good-for-you nutrients is running ahead of the pack of innovations. Folic acid now can be added to bread to help stem neural tube defects in babies. At Food Ingredients Europe '95, calcium additions were one taste of the town. Egg white products made into fruit drinks were fortified with two types of calcium.

PIZZA DELIVERS

By Janice Denham
Staff writer

Pizza is as everyday as a party.

When dialed for delivery, pizza still has the ring of a special order. It can be customized, may require negotiation over favorite flavors and aromatically arrives under cover for instant eating.

On the other hand, making it at home promotes individuality, impresses friends and lets ingredients be as wholesome as a cook wants.

Sausage and pepperoni still are whopping favorites, but pizza companies that specialize in varied ingredients find customers have ideas of their own when it comes to mixing and matching them.

A pizza party plan can include many vegetables, for which an automatic vegetable cutter makes slicing easier. Some slicers also can be used for shredding fresh cheese. Set out shakers with parmesan cheese, red pepper flakes, and blended Italian seasonings, like basil and oregano.

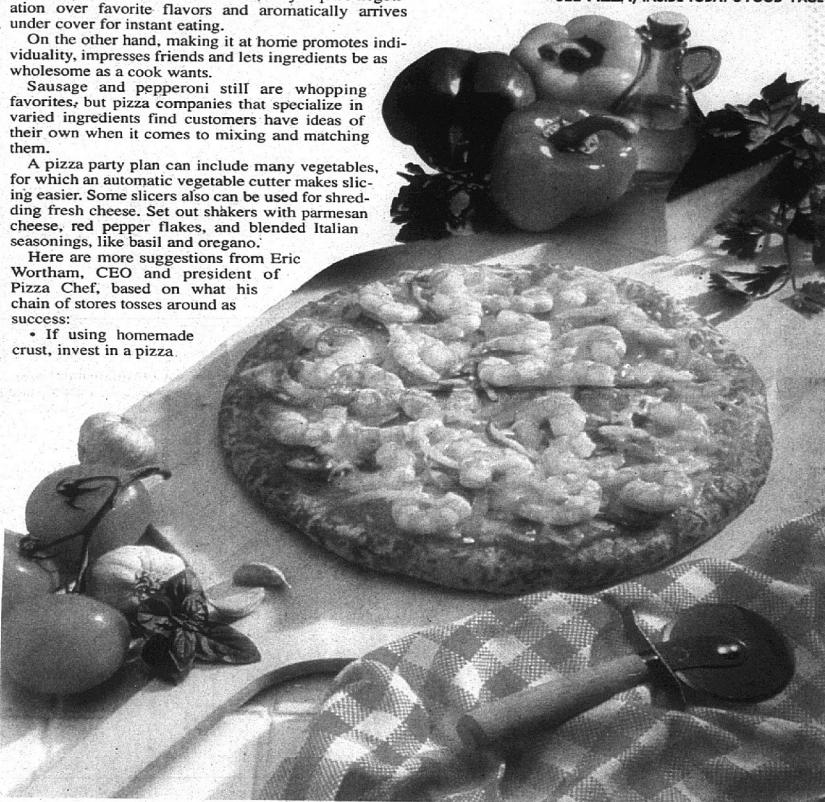
Here are more suggestions from Eric Wortham, CEO and president of Pizza Chef, based on what his chain of stores tosses around as success:

- If using homemade crust, invest in a pizza

stone, available at specialty kitchen shops. Preheat it in a 450° oven. Bake pizza directly on it, he says, for brown crust and the "best pizzeria flavor."

• Pack in pizza sauce, but also offer olive oil and a

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Kid's Cuisine RAINBOW PIZZA

Once upon a time there was a king who ate and ate and never was full. One night, after listening to his stomach growl and rumble, he went out as a beggar to find a food to satisfy his hunger.

He found a new food from Salvatore's Pizzeria, which had a sign, "Pizza Fit For a King!" Salvatore wanted the beggar to have something to eat, so he gave him a pizza, which he shared with seven ravenous orphans. After eating, they spent the day dancing the tarantella to music from hand-made instruments.

When he returned to the palace, he wasn't hungry any more.

Salvatore shared his secret: The most important ingredient in any meal "is the love you add when you share it."

He knighted Salvatore with the royal ladle, invited

the orphans and everyone in the city to the palace for pizza and declared every Saturday pizza night.

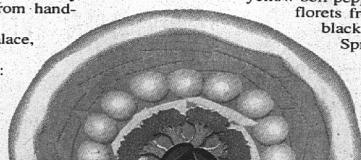
The king's favorite pizza has a rainbow topping.

To make it, spread 1 can (15 ounces) pizza or tomato sauce over surface of a 12-inch pizza crust. Cover with 1-1/2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese. Working from edge to center of crust, arrange red pepper strips (1 pepper) around the edge, a ring of sliced carrot (2 carrots), yellow bell pepper rings (1 pepper) and broccoli florets from 2 or 3 stalks. Place 8 pitted black olives, cut in half, in the center.

Sprinkle 1/2 cup cheese on top.

Bake on lowest rack in preheated 475° oven 10 to 20 minutes until crust turns brown and cheese melts.

"The King of Pizza" (Workman, \$14.95) is packaged in a pizza box with a 10-inch plate.



Today's Food

Private Label Test Run



Kids of all ages might want to start their day with warm Flavorite instant oatmeal, which includes two fruity flavors.

Testers eagerly start day eating 'kids only' oatmeal

Anyone who knows how many quills a porcupine has will Willie Shoemaker is on how many bees it takes to tip a scale and scale probably ate Flavorite "for kids only" instant oatmeal from Dierberg's for breakfast this week.

The 10-packet box doesn't leave unflavored oatmeal packets for the last two people at the table. It has four flavors: two of them with dried berries, to lure kids of any age to eat a warm breakfast ready in less than five minutes.

The trivis is among ques-

tions scattered three-to-a-packet on individual servings.

Each of the flavors was tested by adults, who were glad they were *Journal* testers. The box costs \$1.79, as much as \$1 less than the national brand.

"Cinna-wow is good. It has a fun pink color, and the oatmeal is very creamy, smooth. It wasn't sweeted as I thought it might be, which is good. For instant, it cooked up well. It has less fat than the other fla-

vors, which I like, too. Even though it's promoted for kids only, grown-ups would like it," a taster said.

Another was happy she chose roarin' raspberry fla-

"I was surprised it had dry fruit in it. I undercooked it a little and tasted it, which brought out the raspberry flavor. It made me wonder where the seeds were. Cooking it longer made it more oatmeal-like."

"I didn't like oatmeal when I was a kid, but as an adult I eat a lot of it flavored up. I like the price of it. I need more time for a full breakfast, so sometimes I buy the flavor and packages. They have plenty of sweetness and flavor to go around for the extra plain dry flakes I add."

She said she could "feast" on the raspberry flavor without even looking at others.

Another tester found the raspberry flavor a little sweeter than she liked, but liked its "true" fruit flavor.

New choice for yeast infections

There is a new choice for women who suffer from vaginal yeast infections. Last year the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the switch of a prescription-only product to non-prescription status.

Butoconazole nitrate 2 percent vaginal cream, sold under the trade name of Femstat 3, is the first three-day treatment available without a prescription. It should be available this spring in cream formulation only.

Products previously available, such as Mycelex 7 or Gyne-Lotrimin, required

seven-day treatment for full effect.

Having non-prescription treatment choices is an advantage, but it also requires precautions.

Non-prescription treatment of a vaginal yeast infection is intended for non-pregnant women aged 12 and over now experiencing similar symptoms for which a doctor previously diagnosed as a vaginal yeast infection. Not every vaginal infection is a yeast infection, therefore the prior diagnosis is important before selecting any non-prescription treatment.

Pizza

Continued from page 1C. brush. A big seller starts with a very thin glaze of olive oil directly on the crust. Skip tomato sauce and layer with fresh garlic, mozzarella cheese, fresh tomatoes and a fresh basil-oregano blend.

• Wokhouse finds orders increasing for healthier pizza. Whole wheat crust is a welcome option. Many stick with vegetable and cheese combinations.

• Have you heard about pineapple on pizza but don't know how it stacks up? Here come his successful experiments: Canadian bacon, pineapple and mandarin oranges; mozzarella cheese and a sprinkling of fresh basil and oregano.

• Precook beef and sausage so the crust is less greasy.

• Do not rule out any combination. A winning topper that he did not anticipate is artichoke hearts and fresh tomato.

• Unlike some St. Louis pizzas, his steer away from provolone cheese, a blend that includes some yellow cheese. He sticks to white cheeses. An exception he is about to deliver: bacon cheeseburger, with bacon, beef and cheddar cheese, minus tomato sauce.

• What does he see as the next pizza wave? He is experimenting with Cajun flavors to honor requests.

• Here are ideas for delicious party experiments at home.

GARLIC SHRIMP AND PEPPER PIZZA

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Heart-y Bites

By LIBBY MILLS

Plant flavor compass for nutritious discovery

Explorers boast the excitement of journeys and discoveries of lands and people far away. We may not be able to travel without limits, but our taste buds can live the adventure.

Marco Polo returned to Italy with exotic foreign flavors to give traditional Italian cuisine new life. Later, Christopher Columbus introduced the sweet potato to Europe, where it took new root and provided a concentrated source of energy, fiber and vitamins A and C without fat.

Now these foods and flavors from other cultures provide new ways of getting nutrition while the same old daily foods become more pleasurable and exciting. The more variety we eat, the better assured we are of getting all the nutrients we need.

Luckily, we don't have to travel to fill our plates with cultural variety. Chinese, Italian and Mexican flavors are in everyday foods. Venture out with a friend to a restaurant with Greek, Indian, Vietnamese, Thai, Middle Eastern or Japanese dishes. Book a friend to try them at home if shy, start with one new flavor, recipe or dish a week.

Try a new combination.

Begin simply by adding chile peppers, high in vita-

min C, to tuna casserole; a pinch of curry or saffron to a traditional grain or rice pilaf; lentils with non-new lentils or couscous; or buy Chinese hot pickled vegetables — kim chee — as part of a quick salad.

Start taste buds on their travels by touring the Greek isles with Meatless Moussaka, adapted from the "American Heart Association Cookbook," fifth edition.

Registered dietitian Libby Mills is a staff member of the American Heart Association, St. Louis Chapter.

MEATLESS MOUSSAKA

2 lb. eggplant, peeled, thickly sliced
2 tbsp. olive oil
2 cup finely chopped onion
1 clove garlic, minced
1 can (14 1/2 oz.) diced no-salt-added tomatoes in juice
1 can (6 oz.) no-salt-added tomato paste
1 cup water
1/2 tsp. salt
3 tsp. crushed rosemary
2 tbsp. finely chopped chile peppers
2 tbsp. finely chopped fresh mint
1 carton (1 lb.) low-fat cottage cheese

Yolk-free egg product equal to 2 eggs
1/2 cup grated oregano
1/2 cup grated parmesan cheese
1/2 tsp. freshly ground pepper, or to taste

Preheat broiler. Lightly coat 3 1/2-cup oblong baking dish with nonstick cooking spray.

On 2 baking sheets, brush both sides of eggplant lightly with 1 tablespoon oil. Broil 5 minutes on each side or until tender.

Reduce oven temperature to 375°.

In nonstick skillet over medium-high heat, heat 1 tablespoon oil. Sauté onion until translucent. Add garlic. Cook 1 minute longer.

In bowl, combine cottage cheese, egg product, 1 teaspoon rosemary, oregano, 1/4 cup parmesan cheese and pepper.

Spread half the tomato sauce on bottom of prepared dish. Lay half the eggplant on top. Spread cheese mixture over eggplant. Cover with remaining sauce. Sprinkle with 1/4 cup parmesan cheese.

Cover dish with aluminum foil. Bake in preheated oven 40 to 45 minutes.

Micro Raves

By BETTY SERATI
Glaze gives baked ham big status

There is an unheralded shot that rings out at the end of March every year. It signals baked ham season.

Always welcome, ham is a favorite because of its versatility. It makes an easy and flavorful main dish, while leftover ham has equal star status later in breakfasts and lunches.

As a main dish, ham is both simple and satisfying. Because it is usually purchased fully cooked, it only needs to be heated through for peak flavor. Unfortunately, conventional cooking often turns it dry and tasteless. However, cooking ham in a microwave oven does not cause moisture to evaporate, thus ensuring juicy meat.

Precooked ham heats very quickly. It should be covered with waxed paper and cooked in a medium-high setting about five minutes per pound, or until an internal temperature of 130° is reached.

Betty Serati specializes in microwave cooking.

SWEET-SOUR PINEAPPLE HAM GLAZE

1 can (8 1/2 oz.) pineapple chunks
1/2 cup cornstarch
1/4 cup packed brown sugar
2 tbsp. apple cider vinegar

Drain pineapple juice into 1-quart glass bowl. Stir cornstarch, brown sugar and vinegar into juice. Microwave on high power 1 to 2 minutes. Stir in pineapple. Cook on high 2 minutes longer.

Brush mixture on ham before and occasionally during cooking. If desired, secure pineapple chunks to ham with toothpicks.

Makes enough glaze for 5-pound ham.

By CAROL SCHLITT

Wise Ways

Regal asparagus heralds spring's savory coming

Nothing says "spring" as deliciously as fresh asparagus. Sometimes referred to as the aristocrat of vegetables, asparagus has been prized since ancient times for its taste.

Asparagus connoisseurs argue whether fat or thin stalks are better, but no matter which is chosen, this delicate member of the lily family is a royal treat to be savored whenever spring appears.

Two basic types of asparagus are grown, white and green, although only the green variety is grown in the U.S. To keep it white, the variety preferred in Europe, it is grown under heaps of soil to prevent it from producing chlorophyll during green.

White asparagus is available a few short weeks early in May in the St. Louis area. It is grown locally in the Belleville area, which

gives it status at a few restaurants and roadside vegetable stands.

When shopping for this delicacy, look for firm, but green or purplish tips that are closed and compact. Because asparagus deteriorates rapidly, it is best to cook it the same day it is bought.

Refrigerate 3 to 4 days in a refrigerator, if the cut ends are wrapped in a wet paper towel and covered in a plastic bag. However, its flavor diminishes each passing day.

Contrary to popular belief, the size of an asparagus stalk is not directly related to quality.

Certified asparagus and consumer scientist Carol Schlitt is nutrition and consumer education with the University of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service at the Edwardsville Extension Center.

In small bowl, combine garlic, wine, lemon juice, oil and pepper. Pour over asparagus.

Bake in preheated oven 10 minutes. Turn asparagus

ROASTED ASPARAGUS

1 lb. asparagus
2 cloves garlic, chopped
1/4 cup dry white wine
2 tsp. lemon juice
1/2 cup olive oil
1/4 tsp. pepper

Preheat oven to 400°. Break off and discard tough ends of asparagus. Arrange spears in single layer in 13-by-9-inch baking dish.

In small glass bowl, combine garlic, wine, lemon juice, oil and pepper. Pour over asparagus.

Bake in preheated oven 10 minutes. Turn asparagus

over toasted pecans. Stir.

Brush remaining glaze over ham before and occasionally during cooking.

When ham is baked, spread coated pecans over surface.

SOUTHERN PRALINE HAM GLAZE

1 cup pecan pieces
1 cup light corn syrup
2 tbsp. butter
1 tsp. grated orange peel
1 tsp. vanilla

Place pecan pieces and about 1 teaspoon butter in flat glass dish. Cook on high power 1 to 2 minutes, stirring occasionally, until pecans are toasted.

In small glass bowl, combine remaining butter, corn syrup and orange peel. Microwave on high 1 minute. Stir in vanilla.

Pour 1/4 cup hot glaze over toasted pecans. Stir.

Brush remaining glaze over ham before and occasionally during cooking.

When ham is baked, spread coated pecans over surface.

Salt and pepper, if desired
8 oz. fontina or provolone cheese, shredded
1 tbsp. olive oil, garlic flavored if desired
1 (16 oz.) Italian bread/pizza shell (12 inch)
1/2 cup prepared chunky vegetable spaghetti sauce or pizza sauce

Preheat oven to 450°.

Place bread shell on baking sheet. Spread evenly with pizza sauce.

Combine cheeses, basil and pepper. Sprinkle evenly.

Bake in preheated oven 12 to 14 minutes until cheese is melted and crust is golden brown.

Cut in wedges.

Makes 6 servings.

THREE CHEESE PIZZA

4 oz. sharp white or aged yellow cheddar cheese, shredded
4 oz. Edam cheese, shredded
4 oz. smoked gouda, provolone or mozzarella cheese, shredded
1 (16 oz.) Italian bread/pizza shell (12 inch)
1/2 cup prepared pizza sauce
1/4 cup chopped fresh leaf basil

Add shrimp, then pepper. Top with cheeses.

Bake in preheated oven 12 to 14 minutes until cheese is melted and crust is golden brown.

Cut in wedges.

Makes 6 servings.

VERY VEGGIE PIZZA

8 oz. mushrooms, sliced
1 green or yellow bell pepper, cut in thick slices
1/4 small red onion, thinly sliced

Preheat oven to 450°.

In large skillet over medium-high heat, stir-fry mushrooms, bell pepper and onion in oil 4 to 5 minutes until mushrooms give up their liquid and liquid evaporates. Add salt and pepper.

Place bread shell on baking sheet. Spread spaghetti sauce evenly over bread. Top with half the cheese, all the vegetables, then remaining cheese.

Bake in preheated oven 12 to 14 minutes.

ENTERTAINMENT

Williams gets seriously silly

Going mano-a-mano with Robin Williams can be a scary prospect. There is no armor for his sweet science: silliness. Survival demands a well-conceived game plan. Maybe the best defense really is a good offense. How about a few disarming body blows to soften him up, then a couple of wicks and lots to knock him to his knees? We're speaking in a purely figurative sense, of course.

Beating the opening bell may be a great idea, but don't bother trying to rib him about his 70-something mother's celebrity-parent-geriatric-workout videotape.

Nothing rattles the champ.

"Work out to my mother's 'Silver Foxes' video? No, I couldn't. That would be frightening, like going through childhood again." He can't help but not to laugh. "Her and Al Pacino's dad, Sal Pacino, and Dustin Hoffman's father."

Ducking and diving, he suddenly pulls his plain chickie down to a sage old man's face and does a matching voice, bouncing on the sofa in a Manhattan hotel suite as he pretends to be an aging auteurist director.

"And one, and two and HOCK. And three and four and HOCK-TOOEY," he says, flailing his arms around. "And come that plegm, and cough two, three, four."

So much for disarming body blows. Going up to the head brings the same results: comic carnage.

All seems calm as Williams ponders serious questions about his image, namely the impact of his latest role as the gay owner of a drag nightclub in "The Birdcage," especially after wearing a dress and falsies in "Mrs. Doubtfire" and popping up in the drag queen episode of "Wong Foo, With Love, Julie Newmar."

Has his career taken on a certain sashay?

"That's a mouthful," he says slyly, pushing his tongue hard

into his cheek before launching himself back into manic humor mode.

"Please welcome the winner of the Better Late Than Never Award," he says with a flourish. "This year the Golden Closet goes to..."

Breath stopping to take a breath, he goes off again. "We have some great great parts in those movies, my friends. Don't be afraid, they're for everyone," he says. "Sly, don't be afraid to play it. If he wins, his lips and impervious Sydney Poitier leather bar scene would be a blockbuster. Sly Stallone in 'The Marquis de Sade'."

For a second, he pretends to be serious.

"No. It can't hurt your career," he says flatly. Then he grins and says, "Wearing Versace will hurt your career better."

"The Birdcage," a remake of the 1978 French comedy classic "La Cage aux Folles," is the story of two gay men who have started an eager to marry the daughter of an ultraconservative politician, played by Gene Hackman.

Slams from an increasingly Hollywoodistic Washington seem inevitable, but Williams sees the film as a public service. He even jokingly suggests it might spur a certain outspoken conservative senator to make a shocking announcement.

"I think the effect will be profound," Williams says, acting as his own straight man before a few rapid-fire voice changes.

Booming radio announcer: "Hold on America, Jesse's going to come out."

Quavering Southern drawl: "I think it was only a weekend. I was out duck hunting. Who knew?"

By this time, ribs aching from laughter, all hope of self-preservation is lost. Surprisingly merciful, Williams takes the same moment to drop the act, for the time being anyway.

I don't know if they're going to fire back at me," he says, "so the political right, which takes a feather-boa beating in "The Birdcage."

"But if it gets them a little squirmily, that's not a bad thing in a year like this. If it works to that purpose, that's OK."

Horoscope

Wednesday, March 27

Today is the first quarter of the moon — the most aggressive lunar quarter. The sun is in Aries, and the moon in Cancer forms a 90 degree angle to family members will be the ones causing work or school, but these combinations — if ironed out now — will bring smooth sailing for the next three months.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). If you want power, be willing to shoulder tough responsibilities. Ask for titles, expense accounts and more. What you want could be lost — guard your valuables. Exhaustive research pays off. Government checks arrive.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Offer an apology if it saves you the life of a former boss, partner or colleague. Trim your expenses this now. The purchase price of luxury goods will drop even more. A challenge from in-laws is temporary — relax.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Success comes when you enlist the help of a former boss, partner or colleague. Trim your marital problem — there are all sorts of solutions. Be frank.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your career momentum soars — be ready for unexpected meetings. Creative people have last-ditch efforts rewarded. Alter your travel plans. You have been given a chance to make a deal.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A long-fought battle is just about won. Persevere. Let others know of your talents. Luck with blind dates and surprise meetings is yours. Self-discipline makes the difference between a good day and a bad one.

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21). Unusual "coincidences" have been planned behind your back. Complete deadlines on time — extra enjoyable assignments will come. Contact new friends, and make plane for the holidays.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Recognize that others are under pressure and test. Keep your good humor and a foe will become a financial ally. Demand better service, or don't pay. Stop bringing so much work home — delegate.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Vintage ideas pop up on the job. Try them up. Try a second or third time to reach important people.

Don't be put off. Romance pops up on the job. Travel for business. Financial relief benefits your marriage or relationship.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Divided responsibilities bring peace at the office. Bosses are lenient if you show leadership potential. Make your visible contributions and you're becoming. A really complete job machine.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). A small idea, project or opportunity fascinates you for good reason. It could be your secret passion. A clever scheme brings a reluctant love back.

Incidentally, productivity — you'll forestall layoffs and even get promoted.

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Gospelfest is April 14

By Mike Viola
Staff writer

Singers and evangelists from both sides of the river will gather in East St. Louis April 14 to raise their voices to God.

The occasion will be the Voice of Joy Gospel Group's Eighth Annual Spring Gospelfest and Soul Winning Action Team Ministry.

"We have people from all different denominations of churches coming," said Leeanna Hill, president of the group. "We are also really trying hard to reach out to the young people this year."

The Gospelfest will be held at 4 p.m., April 14, at Mt. Paran Missionary Baptist Church, 1201 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. Choirs due to perform include: Shining Light Missionary Baptist Church, St. Paul Baptist Church, Tyler Redeeming Spiritual Church, Paramount Glee Club, Wings of Inspiration Ministries, Hearts of Gold Gospel Group, Shiloh Baptist Church and Mount Paran Logo Praise Choir.

The evening will also include a performance by the Save Our City Crusade.

The crusade is comprised on East St. Louis area teenagers who have traveled around the country promoting positive messages to youth.

During the summer, the Crusade held its first annual Youthquake to showcase some of the talented children in the East St. Louis area.

Other performers scheduled include: Johnny Barker of St. Louis, Charlotte Hart, Bob Ellison, Wardell and Roslind Brimm. Evangelists will include Ethel Teasley, Sandra Rumph, Kathy Dinkins and others.

Terry Harris Jr., 14, will also be an evangelist at the Gospelfest. He is the son of the Rev. Terry Harris Sr., pastor at Shiloh Baptist Church.

Hill said attendance at the Gospelfest has grown every year, and organizers expect this year's event to be the biggest and best ever.

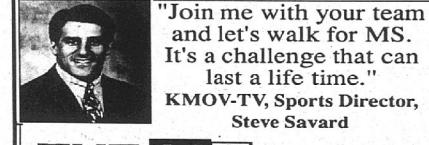
Michael Murphey at McKendree

Academy of Country Music award winner and National Cowboy Hall of Fame award honoree Michael Martin Murphey will perform at a benefit concert May 10 at McKendree College.

Proceeds from the concert will be used to support the McKendree Bearcats baseball team.

Murphey's hits include "Wildfire," "Carolina in the Pines," "Cherokee Fiddle," and "A Mansion on the Hill." His first number one country song, "What's Forever For," hit the charts in 1989.

In the early 1980s, Murphey wrote the screenplay, composed and produced the musical score, and acted in the movie, "Hard Country."



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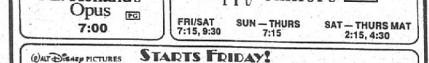
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Births

Clayton Cooper

Darrel and Denise Cooper of Troy have announced the birth of their fourth child, a son.

Clayton Ryan was born at 8:46 a.m. on Feb. 26, 1996, at Anderson Hospital and weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Jean Vester of Collinsville and the late Wifred Vester.

Paternal grandparents are Roy and Alma Cooper of Moro.

Clayton joins Cari, 19, Angie,

18, and Jamie, 14.

Samantha Patton

Tracy and Elaine Patton of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Samantha Darleen was born at 6:00 a.m. on Feb. 26, 1996, at Anderson Hospital and weighed 6 pounds, 10 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Linda Isaak of Granite City and Richard Wagener of Waukegan.

Paternal grandparents are Linda and Mickey Patton of Minerville, Tenn.

Samantha joins Brooke, 2.

Joseph Valencia

Rufus and Melissa Valencia of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Joseph Fernandez was born at 7:46 p.m. on Feb. 28, 1996, at Anderson Hospital and weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Dennis and Carol Cooper of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Rufus and Shirley Valencia of Granite City.

Jessica Schubel

Michael and Gina Schubel of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Jessica Suzanne was born at 9:48 p.m. on Feb. 28, 1996, at Anderson Hospital and weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Carol Mancini of Granite City and Joe and Sharon Mancini also of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Dan and Mary Deak of Granite City.

Ashley Boyle

Joseph and Carole Boyle of Edwardsville have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Ashley Nicole was born at

3:20 p.m. on Feb. 29, 1996, at Anderson Hospital and weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Maryann James of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and the late William James.

Paternal grandparents are John and Esther Boyle of Harrisburg, Pa.

Ashley joins Joshua, 2½.

Lucas Bailey

Norman P. Bailey and Maureen L. McFain, both of Granite City, have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Lucas Michael was born at 9:14 a.m. on March 1, 1996, at St. Luke's Hospital in St. Louis and weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are William and Maureen McFain of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Vern and Norma Bailey of San Antonio, Texas.

Dwight Wade

Dwight F. Wade II and Rebelle Wade of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Dwight Austin was born at 7:18 p.m. March 6, 1996, at St. John's Mercy Medical Center in St. Louis and weighed 8 pounds, 11.8 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Scooter Jackson of Deer Park, Texas, and Sandra Whittington of Kountze, Texas. Paternal grandparents are Duke Wade of Granite City and Louise Sims of Collinsville.

Ivan Johnson Jr.

Ivan Johnson Jr. and Crystal Wilson, both of Madison, have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Ivan Johnson Jr. was born at 2:08 a.m. March 7, 1996, at St. Luke's Hospital in St. Louis and weighed 10 pounds, 7½ ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Christopher Ferris

Steven and Dawn Ferris of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Christopher Ryan was born at 5:27 p.m. March 10, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and weighed 8 pounds, 11 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Dawn DeVrieze.

Maternal grandparents are Tom and Terry DeVrieze of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Rick and Ferris of Glen Carbon and the late Lila Ferris.

Mary Friedman of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Mary Allison was born at 6:30 a.m. March 11, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces.

The mother is the former Cheryl Lewis.

Maternal grandparents are Carl Lewis of Granite City and the late Mary Lewis. Paternal grandparents are David and Jane Friedman of St. Louis.

Mary joins Daniel Scott, 5.

Kirsten Sutterfield

Jeremy and Leslie Sutterfield of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Kirsten Anne was born at 8:51 a.m. March 12, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces.

The mother is the former Leslie Ann McKinnon.

Maternal grandparents are Lester and Jacqueline McKinnon of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Steven Gibson of Whitney, Texas, and Janet James of Arlington, Texas.

Hibbs Twins

Raymond and Linda Hibbs of Collinsville have announced the birth of twin boys born March 12, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Rodney Michael was born at 12:31 a.m. and weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces. Randy Jacob

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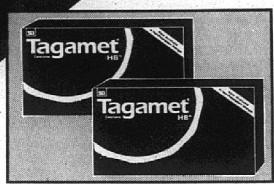
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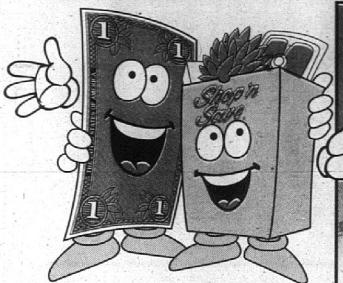
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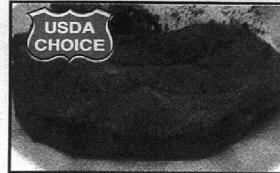
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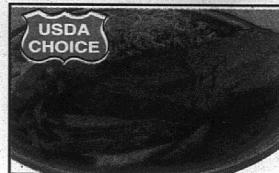
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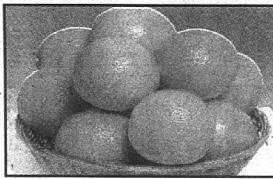
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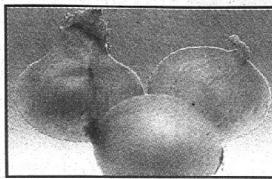
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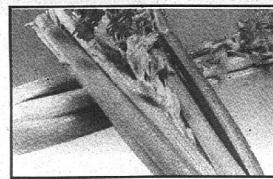
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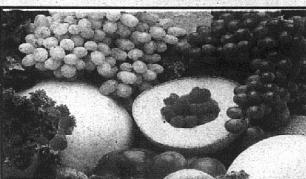
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Sports

Granite City Journal

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For expert
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So much for the experts.
If you want the answers to
the sports world's most
intriguing questions, just ask
this scribe.

Who I'm about to explain
make the average person's head swell to the size of
a basketball. As for me, I
can't quit laughing.

On March 9, a large contingent of media gathered at the head basketball coach Lou Henson's final regular-season home game against Minnesota.

Staff photographer John Swick was there to make the trek to Champaign, not so

much to witness Henson's last regular-season game. We

made the drive to do a final

hail Mary. Granite City resident and Illinois senior, Rich Keene, who was playing in his last regular-season game at

Assembly Hall.

A larger than usual group of reporters attended the game because the university had planned a farewell ceremony for Henson and his wife, Mary. Plus, there was the slimmest of chance the team could have bettered their odds for receiving an NCAA Tournament bid.

Before the game started, a straw poll was taken among the 30 reporters as to who the head coach would be and what date the hiring would be announced.

When another writer approached me and asked if I wanted to participate, I said "I guess so." I didn't really know who to pick. The Illinois-Minnesota game was the first I had covered at Assembly Hall all season, so how could anyone take my vote seriously?

At the time of the game, the rumors had been working overtime as to whom the head coach would be. Coaches like Mike Krzyzewski, Rick Majerus, Larry Brown and Jim Calhoun were definitely the leading candidates.

I thought for awhile, and came close to writing Collings' name down on the piece of paper. Then I thought about it again. No, I know. Krzyzewski would never have Duke, so I didn't write his name down either.

Then out of the clear blue, the name of Lou KRUGER popped into my head. At the time, Kruger was a longshot at best to be named head coach.

For some reason, I had heard Kruger's name mentioned by a source about 30 minutes before game time. Honestly, I don't know who said Kruger's name. For all I know, Kruger might have been a brat's name, a hot dog in the Champs menu.

Kruger sounded like a good name to me, so I wrote it down. I asked the reporter to my right if I spelled his name correctly. He responded that it was spelled "Krueger," so I penciled in an extra "e."

Thursday afternoon, I was out doing errands most of the day and back in the office about 4:45 p.m. Sports editor Tony Panozzo e-mailed me to ask what I thought about Kruger being named as the team's new head coach.

I said, "Well, Oh, I guess I won the straw poll."

I started to reply when fellow sportswriter David Wilhelm of the *Belleville News-Democrat* walked into the office to tell me I had won the straw poll.

Wilhelm went to Champaign on Thursday to cover the press conference. Writers from the *Chicago Tribune*, *Champaign News-Gazette* and *Decatur Herald-Review* were asking Wilhelm, "Who is this guy from the *Collinsville Herald*?"

Folks, out of the 34 writers who were there to cover the game, yours truly was the only one who voted for Krueger, and I covered just one game all season. So much for the experts who follow the team and the writers who predicted other candidates for the Illinois job.

So now, I guess you want to know who is going to win the NCAA tournament...



Rocky Smith runs for third after a ground ball gets past the Moline infield. (Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Moline marks 3-2 win, split over Granite in doubleheader

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

The Warriors' success was short-lived last Friday, as East Moline United came back for a 3-2 win and a split of the two teams' doubleheader at Varsity Field.

The Warriors' scheduled doubleheader Saturday against Washington was cancelled due to rain and will not be made up. Instead, the Warriors will try to add a couple of doubleheaders to the present schedule.

After the Warriors looked splendid in the first game Friday, they found the going much tougher in the second game.

Granite City used timely hitting and good defense to supplement the fine pitching of Bill Nieper in game one Friday. After the second-game pitcher, Mike Lignoul, had pitched well, the other two ingredients were missing from that recipe.

"In the 14 innings we played Friday, we played 13 of them well defensively," said GCHS coach Gus Lignoul. "I was the 14th that got us into trouble. We made a couple of mistakes in one inning, and they scored three runs."

Ahlvers had a man picked off of first base in the third inning. The Warriors failed to get that man out, and in that same inning, the Warriors missed a cut-off man. Little mistakes like that added up to a big headache for Granite City.

And offensively, after getting clutch hits in game one, the Warriors left their men stranded in game two.



Kyle Briggs looking for the right connection against East Moline. (Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

ed in game two. "That was the big difference in the two games," Lignoul said. "In the first inning, we had two outs on second and third, and didn't get home. Later, in the seventh inning, we had the bases loaded with nobody out and only scored one run."

In fact, Granite City only had two hits in the second game, after tagging the ball for 11 safeties in the first game.

Ahlvers did all he could, striking out six hits — although three of the hits were for extra

bases. Ahlvers struck out nine — the same number as Nieper in game one — and didn't walk a man.

"That was great to see, 18 strikeouts and only two walks by one pitcher," Lignoul said. "Defensively, we had one bad inning, so that's nothing to get worried about."

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International Sports Festival plans set

There will be two pre-season tournaments for 9-10 year olds, 11-12 and also 13-14 year olds. The 9-10 aged tournament was to be played the first weekend, but rainy weather forced the cancellation of many games.

However, the 11-12 year olds will compete the second weekend, March 29-31, at Longfellow Park in Fairview Heights. April 12-14 is the weekend for the 13-14 year olds.

To offset the cost of keeping and feeding the 250 athletes from the area during the Pan American Basketball Championships — a part of the International Sports Festival the Pan Am committee has planned a benefit golf tournament.

The tournament will be held at the Clinton Hills Golf Course in Belleville, on Friday, May 17 at 1 p.m.

The four-person scramble event costs \$65 per person to enter, but this price includes entry, registration, gift, greens fees, golf cart, beverages and more.

For information, call Terry Wilson at 314-645-5496 or Kevin Whisler at 314-645-5496.

The Games are sponsored by Coca-Cola, McDonald's, Gatorade, Continental Airlines and the St. Louis Cardinals.

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BASEBALL

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Weather upsets Lady Warriors' game plan

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

Convert on it. "But overall, the girls showed discipline and enthusiasm. It was a good way to start the season."

Incarante Word, a strong, veteran team, got a goal in the 16th minute to open the scoring; assisted by Katie Kilroy. The first half ended with a 2-0 lead in the first half when Amy Thommen connected — also on a minute.

The Lady Warriors then came out strong in the second half and played right with the physically imposing Knights.

The Alton game was quickly rescheduled for this evening. The junior varsity match will begin at 4:30 p.m., meaning the varsity match should get underway about 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at Memorial.

The Lady Warriors should be ready to get back to action, after a spirited but one-sided game against Incarnate Word.

Granite City will play the Knights on Friday, April 17 at 7 p.m. It was a good game, said GCHS coach Gene Baker. "The kids played pretty well and showed a lot of heart. When it was 2-1, Carrie Simpson put a nice cross into the box, and we just failed to

"THEY PROBABLY HAVE on average about two inches and 20 pounds on us," Baker said. "They always have fine players, and they're very big and strong. That's why I was happy with the way we stayed with them."

Michelle Montgomery finally converted Granite City's first goal of the campaign 57 minutes into the match. It was an unassisted goal.

"Michelle scored a nice goal, from the right side with her left foot," said Baker. "It was a good shot from about 25 yards out."

After several good opportunities by both teams, Amy Bornhardt put the game away with a goal in the 86th minute.

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PSG director named national president

By Scott Marion
Staff writer

Prairie State Games co-executive director Maureen Moore is busier than ever these days.

Moore, who shares PSG operating duties with her husband, Mike Moore, is the new president of the National Congress of State Games, the president over the NCSG's annual mid-year meeting Feb. 23-24 in Louis

"The congress is comprised of 44 states nationwide who host annual state games," Moore said. "We've got 44 out to be about 475,000 athletes. In our games, the youngest athlete was 4 and the oldest was 78, so it's a wide stretch of diversity."

"The Prairie State Games started in 1984, but the national congress started in 1986 as the governing body for all state games. We will identify and nurture other state games and provide support and services on a national level. State games are designed to be a grassroots athletic event."

Moore got involved with the NCSG in 1988 by attending her first conference as director of operations for the Prairie State Games.

Maureen Moore

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Cardinals Team of the Week

GOROYALS

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The St. Elizabeth seventh grade boys basketball team captured the championship of the Holy Family Invitational this season. St. Elizabeth, of Granite City, defeated Holy Family, St. Ambrose and the Metro Sports Club to win the title. Joey Wineburner won the free throw contest by hitting 12 of 15 shots, and Jonathan Franko was named to the all-tournament team. Team members include (front row from left) Nick Cavar, Jon Franko, Nick Wiehardt, Jonathon Kullum, Ryan McAtee; back row, Scott Horrell, Larry Brown, Jimmy Tapp, Joe Wineburner, Kyle Whiteside and David Dresch. The team is coached by Mike Buettner and Keith Parker.

SPORTS

BAC baseball camps offer talented teachers

With the success of the Belleville Area College teams recently, this summer's BAC camps will give area athletes a chance to learn from some of the best.

Boys aged 7-17 will have the opportunity to improve their baseball techniques this summer through BAC's summer baseball camps. The camps offered in June and July at BAC's Belleville Campus, 2500 Carlyle Road in Belleville; and at the Belleville Kroc Park, 411 W. Monroe.

The camp director will be BAC baseball coach Neil Fiala, a former major-league infielder with the St. Louis Cardinals and the Cincinnati Reds. The cost of the four-day camp is \$60, plus the cost of the two-day camp is \$30.

Applicants will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis, and early registration is suggested.

Each camper should have the following equipment: baseball pants,

athletic supporter, glove, bat, gym shoes or baseball shoes, baseball cap and catcher's equipment if necessary.

Coaches will lead the fundamentals of pitching and catching; the infield and outfield; baserunning and hitting; and conditioning.

The dates of the baseball camps are from June 10-13, from 9 a.m. until noon; and June 17-20 at the West End Kroc Field also from 9 a.m. until noon. The other half of the camp will feature a hitters' clinic on July 8-9, from 9-11 a.m.; and a pitchers' clinic on July 16-17, from 9-11 a.m.

Although summer is the off-season for most baseball players, there will be plenty of camps action this summer at BAC's Belleville campus. Men's basketball coach Jay Hartington and women's coach Shelly Etheridge will hold their annual summer basketball camps.

Area boys and girls from the first

through the 12th grade are eligible to take part in the week-long sessions, which will also be offered in June and July.

Coaches will learn the fundamentals of dribbling, shooting, passing and rebounding.

The cost of this camp varies, depending on which sessions young-ster is chosen to attend. A discount will be given per camper on groups of five or more, but applications must be submitted as a group. The discount does not apply to team camps. Applications must be turned in as soon as possible, as camp registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis. The limit per camp is 60.

Camp will be held during June 10-14 for boys and girls in grades 5-8, and the cost for that week is \$50. Boys will participate from 9 a.m. until noon, and the girls will work from 1-4 p.m.

The week of June 17-21 will also be

for grades 5-8, with the boys practicing in the afternoon session and the girls working out in the mornings. Those sessions will cost \$30.

Two camps will be held for grades 9-12. One camp is for girls, and that camp will run from 9 a.m. to noon; and the second camp is for big men, from 1-4 p.m. Cost of these camps is \$40. From July 8-11, a \$40 camp will teach young athletes ages 14. That camp runs from 1-4 p.m.

Another session for boys in grades 5-8 will run from July 8-12, also beginning at 9 a.m. and ending at noon, and the cost will be \$50. July 22-25 will see the second week of the youngsters' camp. Grades 1-4 will work out from 9 a.m. to noon, and this camp is also \$50. Finally, girls in grades 5-8 will have the second half of their summer camp, from 1-4 p.m. on July 22-26, at a cost of \$50.

Call the BAC Business Office for more information.



Neil Fiala
BAC baseball coach

Sports shorts**Christmas in April**

The Legacy Golf Course in Granite City will hold a Christmas in April benefit golf tournament on Saturday, March 30. The 18-hole, four-person scramble event will get off to a shotgun start at 9 a.m.

The entry fee is \$50 per person, plus a \$250 team fee. It includes use of a golf cart, greens fees and food; and longest drive and closest to the pin contests will also be held. Cash prizes will be awarded.

For more information, call the Legacy Golf Course at 931-4653. Deadline for entry is March 28.

Proceeds benefit efforts for rehabbing homes of the low income, elderly and disabled.

Baseball BBQ

The Granite City Warriors baseball parents will hold an all-day barbecue on Saturday, April 6, at Ervay's Restaurant in Granite City. The proceeds of the barbecue will help offset the costs of the new Warriors uniforms.

Tickets are available from any Warrior parent, are reasonably priced and can be purchased in advance or at Ervay's on the day of the event.

Pontoon Kroc League

The Pontoon Beach Kroc League Inc. will be holding sign-ups for its T-Ball, baseball and softball leagues. The sign-up will be taken at the Pontoon Beach Village Hall, 3910 Illinois 111, during the month of March.

Sign-ups will be held each Wednesday and Thursday of the month. Interested parties should bring a birth certificate and a photograph. Umpires are also needed this year. For more information, call Ida at 737-5477, Tracy at 931-1291 or Cheryl at 583-6705.

The Park District will hold a basketball tournament March 29-30 for boys in grades 6-8 and girls in grades 7-9.

The entry fee for teams is \$90, and the deadline for registration is March 22. For information on girls teams, call Joe Wallace at 936-5678 (day) or 451-0963 (evening). For information regarding boys teams, call Kelly Hogan at 931-6538.

Soccer registration

The Granite City Soccer Club, the joint organization formerly known as the Quad-Cities Soccer Association, and the Madison City Girls Soccer Association, is still taking open

registration for boys and girls

from 9-10 a.m. The registration fee is \$30 per child and covers both the spring and fall sessions. For more information, call the soccer hotline at 876-9000.

Park District leagues

The Granite City Park District is now accepting entry sign-ups for its T-ball, youth baseball, ponytail softball and all adult softball programs.

Player and team registration is being taken at the Wilson Park office. The Park District also needs volunteer coaches for all youth programs.

The Park District will make every effort to find a team for any child wanting to play base ball or softball this year.

SLUH camps

St. Louis U. High will offer four separate weeks of baseball camp opportunities for boys in grades 5-8. The week-long sessions will be held June 10-14 and 17-21 and July 15-19.

The camps will be under the direction of Junior Billikens coach Don Maurer, and will feature former SLUH players as well as other former local players. The fee for the camp is \$80. For more information,

call 314-531-0330, extension 157.

The camp which begins will also hold a football camp during the week of June 10-14. The camp is for grade school boys entering grades 3-8 and will be held at the SLUH football field on Oakland Avenue in St. Louis.

The camp will be directed by SLUH football coach Gary Koenig, and will be non-competitive in nature. The fee for the camp is \$40. For more information, call 314-531-0330, extension 171.

Celtic United 3Vs tourney

The Celtic United Soccer Club is hosting the Second Annual Valley of Flowers 3 V 3 Soccer Tournament, on April 27-28 and May 3-5 at Duchesne Park in St. Louis. Mo. Proceeds from the tournament benefit the Celtic United Soccer Club, which operates select soccer teams for boys and girls.

The tournament is open to boys and girls teams from high school; and men's and women's teams to the over-30 age group.

The camps will be under the direction of Junior Billikens coach Don Maurer, and will feature former SLUH players as well as other former local players. The fee for the camp is \$80. For more information,

received by April 5. For more information, call 314-831-2944 or 314-837-3747.

Renegades softball

The Renegades women's 18-over fastpitch softball team has opened for an experienced pitcher and catcher, league and tournament play. Interested players should call Charles or Julie at 1-800-272-8814.

Madison Kroc League

The Madison Kroc League is moving into its final round of competition, group 1, for the 1996 season. All boys and girls ages 6-14 interested in playing baseball this year can sign up at the Madison Recreation Center, 7th and Lee Streets.

Sign-ups will be Tuesday, March 28 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The fee is \$30. All youths must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at the time of registration.

Adult volunteers are also needed for coaching, umpiring and concession help. For more information, call Joe Garcia at 876-5735 or Scott Odum at 877-8329.

Scramble tournament
The Rawlings Softball Gold Tournament, a four-player

scramble, will be held April 13 at Belk Park Golf Club in Wood River.

For more information, call Glen at (314) 339-0004 after 6 p.m.

Notre Dame golf tournament
St. Louis Alumni Association is sponsoring the school's first annual golf tournament on Saturday, April 27 at The Country Club at Sugar Creek, located at 10000 Sugar Creek, 10000 Brennen Road. Shotgun start is at 1:30 p.m. Open to the public, the tournament fee of \$65 per person offers golfers of every skill level, gender, greens fees, cart rental, lunch, dinner, drinks and numerous hole and attendance prizes.

Golfers are welcome to register as a four-person team or individuals to be assigned to a foursome. The reservation deadline is April 1. For more information or for reservations, call Susan Rothermel at 314-544-4220. Tournament proceeds will fund Notre Dame High School's ongoing improvements in technology throughout the school. Several students from Illinois attend the school, and they appreciate everyone's support.

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QMB, SLMB programs can help with bills

By Bill Hunot

Now more people on Medicare can get help with their medical bills from the Qualified Medicare Benefits (QMB) and Specified Low-Income Medicare Benefits (SLMB) programs.

Effective March 4, a single Medicare beneficiary may qualify for QMB if his income is less than \$665 per month. A couple may qualify if their combined monthly income is less than \$884. The SLMB income limit is about 20 percent higher: \$794 per month for singles, \$1,056 per month for couples.

QMB and SLMB are programs for people who are on Medicare, aren't poor enough for Medicaid, but still need help paying their medical expenses. Qualifications for QMB and SLMB are based on the federal government's definition of poverty: QMB is available to people who follow the guideline. SLMB is for people who are just slightly over the poverty

level.

QMB is like a supplemental insurance policy for people on Medicare, except it's free. QMB can save Medicare patients thousands of dollars in annual medical costs depending on how often they need medical care, because it pays all the deductibles and co-payments associated with Medicare.

QMB also pays Medicare premiums. So someone on QMB has at least an extra \$42 a month in disposable income that amount is no longer taken from his Social Security checks to pay for Part B of Medicare.

Despite its many benefits, and the fact that it's been around since 1989, QMB is underutilized, mostly because people are still not aware of the program. Medicare estimates that there are 10,000 Missourians eligible for QMB in addition to the current enrollees.

SLMB pays Part B Medicare premiums only.

Both QMB and SLMB also have limits on assets, but they are high enough that most people with income below the poverty line will also be below the asset limits.

Currently, the asset limits for both programs are \$4,000 for individuals and \$6,000 for couples. But not all assets count. Within limits, an applicant's car, insurance policies, burial plans, household goods and personal effects won't count against the asset limits.

Regardless of its value, an applicant's home is counted against the limits as long as he lives in it.

Although QMB and SLMB are the same all over the country, only your state government can decide if you're eligible. If you have Medicare and need more information about QMB or SLMB, contact your state social services agency (the Division of Family Services in Missouri), the Department of Public Aid in Illinois), or the current enrollees.

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Briefly

Program highlights education technology

"Distance Learning" will be the topic of discussion during the April 3 session of Dialogue with Senior Citizens at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

Sponsored by the Office of Continuing Education and the

Gerontology Program at the University, the presentation will begin at 1 p.m. in the Mississippi/Illinois Rooms of the University Center.

John Wise, assistant director of Academic Computing, will be the speaker. He will explain how distance learning will restructure the student/teacher relationship in the classroom

of the future by the use of distance learning, multimedia and video.

Dialogue with Senior Citizens is an educational and cultural enrichment program for older adults. The sessions are free and open to the public.

For information, call Paula Kanya, coordinator of Community Programs and Public Ser-

vice at SIUE, by calling 692-3209.

Alzheimer's program set

Coping with Alzheimer's Disease, services of the Alzheimer's Association and other community resources will be the focus of the spring series of special colloquiums

on the interdisciplinary aspects of aging, to be presented April 3 by Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville.

The session is scheduled from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Vadalabene Center, Room 2002. Kathleen O'Brien, MSW, executive director of the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association, will lead the discussion.

Health care, social services, professionals and aging network personnel are invited to attend the series free of charge. Pre-registration is not required.

Additional information is available by calling 692-3454.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Community calendar

Our event calendar also includes entries for community groups and their normal meeting days. Such groups meet on the first Monday of the month, the first Tuesday of the month, etc. Readers are encouraged to call these groups if holidays or other days pose uncertainty.

Corrections, additions and deletions of information are encouraged, and new entries may be added at anytime by calling the newsroom at 876-2000.

This calendar runs in every Wednesday's Journal.

Wednesday, March 27

Disabled American Veterans Chapter 53 will offer a service officer from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Tri-County Veterans Home, located at 1417 19th St., in Granite City. Call 876-7010 for more information.

Pontoon Beach Senior Citizens, 3910 Illinois 111, Pontoon Beach.

Pulmonary Support Group, for persons with diagnosed lung condition, 11 a.m. to noon in the St. Elizabeth, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 88-3019.

Revival at 7 p.m. at Faith Chapel General Baptist Church, located on the corner of Springfield and Ashland in Mitchell.

Singles Connection will eat at the Fin Inn. Call Frank at 876-4315 to RSVB before March 31.

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Al-Anon, 7:15 p.m. Gateway Foundation, 600 W. Lincoln Ave., Caseyville. Call 463-2429 for more information.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Elizabeth School's Noah's Ark Day Care, Pontoon Road, Granite City. The meetings are closed except for the last. Wednesday evenings.

Collinsville Area Recreation District, in conjunction with the Boots and Slippers Square Dance Club, will sponsor a square dance lesson for 9 p.m. at Lamham, 2200 Vandalia St., Collinsville. The cost is \$2.50 per person, per session. For more information, call 344-4636 or 344-4168, or contact CARD at 346-7529.

Divorced and Separated Group Ministry, 7:30-8 p.m. United Church of Christ, 900 S. Grand St., Edwardsville, 656-2268.

Parents Anonymous Group, meets 6 to 8 p.m. For information on where meeting will be held, call Elaine Landolt, 463-2714.

Madison Community Action Group, meets at 7 p.m. For more information, call Dan at 452-2336 or Diane at 876-1360.

Thursday, March 28

Church Women United will meet at 10 a.m. at the Holy Family Community Center.

Modern Woodmen of America Life Insurance Society meets at 5 p.m. at Ravallens'.

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Eagle Park Acre Seniors of Madison meet from 10 a.m. to noon at 100 Hill St. (rear), Eagle Park Acres, Madison.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m. 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m. Presbyterian Church, Mitchell, 1 (800) 307-6600.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 11 a.m. 2116 Club, 2116 Edison Ave., Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

Taking Off Pounds Sensibly Club, 2363, 6:45 p.m. at Anchorage Recreation Center, 2909 Edwards St. For information, 797-6351 877-2784.

Al-Anon, 8 p.m., Wellness Center, 463-9249.

Narcotics Anonymous, 8 p.m. 2116 Club, 2116 Edison Ave., Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

Overeaters Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. First Christian Church, 2415 N. 89th St., Caseville.

For information, call 1 (314) 638-7821.

Granite City Community Band meets at 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. St. John United Church of Christ, 2901 Nameoki Road, Granite City, 931-0443.

Friday, March 29

Al-Anon meets at 8 p.m. in the Milford Room in the basement of the St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Call 463-2429 for more information.

Alcoholics Anonymous, noon and 8 p.m., 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

Friday Afternoon Pinochle Club for seniors 55 and over meets at 12:30 p.m. at the Hotel 101, 101 W. Madison, Franklin Avenue and Pontoon Road. Call 877-0350 for more information.

Granite City Eagles Auxiliary Club for women, dessert sale from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Eagles home, 2558 Madison Ave., in Granite City.

Holy Family Fish Fry will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. at 2606 Washington Ave., in Granite City. Plates are \$4.50 and

sandwiches are \$3.50. Carry-outs available.

Parent-teacher conferences from noon to 3 p.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Venice Public Schools.

Revival at 7 p.m. at Faith Chapel General Baptist Church, located on the corner of Springfield and Ashland in Mitchell.

Rules of the Road review course will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Granite City Township Building, 1660 Delmar Ave., Granite City. Call 877-4373 for more information.

Singles Connection will go dancing. Call Darwin at 656-8601 for more information.

St. John's Supper Club for Emotions and Mental Serenity and Sobriety. A support group for people with a mental illness and an alcohol or substance abuse problem, meets at 7 p.m. at the St. John's Medical Center. Call 798-3604 for more information.

Saturday, March 30

Craft Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the American Legion Post, 113 home, 1825 State St., in Granite City. \$1 admission.

Madison County Human Society will hold an Adopt-A-Pet Day from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the PetsMart in O'Fallon.

Polish Pierogi Sale, Sacred Heart Polish National Catholic Church, 930 Reynolds. Madeline Pierogi, 12 noon. Main varieties: cabbage, cheese, kraut, potato, sausage and pierogi. \$6 per dozen. Come early and get your calling. Orders ahead by calling 876-8860, 931-3367 or 797-3696.

Pontoon Beach Senior Citizens pot luck dinner, 5 p.m., 3910 Illinois 111, Pontoon Beach.

Revival at 7 p.m. at Faith Chapel General Baptist Church, located on the corner of Springfield and Ashland in Mitchell.

Mitchell Singles Connection will tour one of St. Louis' oldest landmarks, the Old World Busch Brewery. See the old world charm of architecture and sample some of the famous Busch products that put the city on the map. After the tour, the group will have dinner at the Kmart in Collinsville. Call Charlie at 931-5611 for more information.

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Al-Anon Adult Children, 10 a.m., 2016 Delmar Ave., 463-2429.

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Rescue Mission, 1536 Fourth St., St. Madison, located on the corner of Springfield and Ashland in Mitchell. Call 798-3604 for more information.

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Quad City Yacht Fellowship, 10 a.m., 257 Franklin, Clevland, 7 p.m., 931-3480 or 877-4482.

Singles Connection will eat ice cream at 7:30 p.m. at Bob's Custard on Illinois 159 in Maryville. Call John at 345-5642 for more information.

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following the morning services.

St. John UCC, 2901 Nameoki Road, in Granite City, will hold a special service to celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Worship and Sunday school begin at 9 a.m., fellowship hour at 10 a.m. and communion and the Rite of Confirmation is at 10:30 a.m.

Singles Connection will eat at the Fin Inn in Grafton. Call Frank at 876-4315 by March 27 to RSVB. Car pool from First Federal Savings and Loan, 300 St. Louis St. in Edwardsville, at 8 a.m. p.m.

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United Way Board member Dorothy Griggs from A.O. Smith Corporation accepts a check from Linda Manis. First Bank staff pictured are Joan Achenbach, Jeannie Wilbur, Beth Dittman, Melissa Hillmer, Judy Crites and Sean Lewis.

Bank donates \$1,150 to local United Way

Tri-Cities Area United Way received a \$1,150 donation from the local First Bank branch on March 26. From the First Bank Inc., a \$3.6 billion multibank holding company operating 125 branches in Missouri, Illinois, Texas and California, has announced the results of its second annual "First Charitable CD" promotion, which began on Nov. 21, 1995, and concluded on Jan. 11, 1996.

The promotion included the sale of the bank's "First Charitable CD," a 12-month certificate of deposit, which featured a charitable contribution from the bank to local charitable and community organizations. For every \$100 in deposits invested in the CD, First Bank contributed \$1 to charity.

First introduced in 1995, the promotion raised more than \$46,000 in charitable contributions in its first year. This year, it achieved tremendous success again this year, resulting in charitable contributions made by the bank of more than \$58,500.

"We are quite pleased once again with the response of our customers to the community-oriented effort," said James F. Dierberg, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of First Bank.

"As a community bank, we are deeply committed to supporting the communities we serve. Through First Charitable CD, our valued customers who have supported this effort, we have the opportunity to provide needed funds to those organizations who are helping people who need it most."

As part of the promotion, each branch of the

First Bank network establishes a local beneficiary to receive contributions raised by the branch. In addition to monetary gifts, each branch held food, clothing and toy drives, which were donated to local community organizations which provide support to families and individuals during the holiday season.

Locally, First Bank in Granite City raised \$1,150, the largest contribution of any branch in their region, to support the local efforts of the Tri-Cities Area United Way, which supports more than 60 local health and human service programs.

"By supporting the Tri-Cities Area United Way, our contribution will help in so many ways," said Jeannie Wilbur, personal banker. Toys, food and clothing raised during the holidays were donated to Catholic Charities for distribution.

"We are honored to be a part of this worthwhile effort and appreciative of First Bank's community and community goodwill," said Dorothy Griggs, member of the Tri-Cities Area United Way Board of Directors.

Linda Manis, branch manager, said, "Our customers have responded with enthusiasm again to support our efforts. The staff wishes to thank all who participated in food, clothing and toys. We are all happy to have had this opportunity to give something back to the community and those who need a little extra help during the holidays."

DAR-state regent plans visit

Emma Schoen was the hostess for the March 16 meeting of the Drusilla Andrews Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution in the parlor of Niedringhaus United Methodist Church in Granite City.

After a breakfast was served by the hostess Sandra Wilkins, the meeting was opened with the DAR Ritual and the Pledge of Allegiance. Jill Strake read the president general's message and Schoen presented a national defense topic regarding Yugoslavia.

The program on schools that the DAR supports or recognizes was presented by Audrey Sperry, Schoen, Judith Schatz, Jane Vanesler and Barbara Williams.

The upcoming visit by the state regent on Nov. 16 was discussed and regard to a suitable location for a morning meeting to be followed by a luncheon. A final decision will be made in April.

After consulting the procedures of neighboring DAR chapters, the local chapter voted to discontinue the DAR Good Citizens' Test and Country awards normally given to senior class winners at the individual schools' honors assemblies or at the graduation ceremonies.

In honor of the 100th anniversary of Granite City's founding, the group voted to donate geraniums to be planted at the Old Stone Museum and to give a tree to the Granite City Park District.

Jane Vanesler, chaplain, presented a memorial service for the late Mae McCormick, a DAR member for almost 50 years. At the close of the ceremony, the single rose in a vase was presented to Georgia Engelke, a sister of the deceased member.

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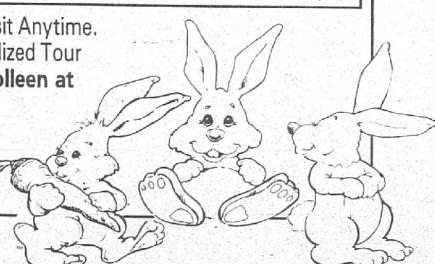
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Prolong the life of your car

Owners of well-maintained older vehicles can often expect a good deal when it comes time to trade in that vehicle on a newer model. You don't have to be a mechanic, or hire one, to follow the most important rule in preserving a car: Drive safely and properly.

Forethought, driving techniques can help preserve a car's life

Try to plan where you are going, for two reasons. First, you can save fuel if you take efficient routes. Second, you will be able to take your time instead of rushing around and chancing an accident.

Avoid unnecessary loads. Empty your car of useless weight. Place heavy objects near the car's center, so that weight is evenly distributed.

Walk around your car before driving it. Doing so could reveal a tire in need of air or some obstacle that will block your car's path.

Keep the car's windows clean.

Make sure you have two side mirrors, plus a rear view mirror, and that they are properly positioned. Always be sure to look back and check your blind spot.

Don't ride with your foot on the clutch and try not to hold your car stationary on a hill by using the clutch pedal. Both of these mistakes can result in a clutch that needs replacement before its time.

Keep the fuel tank near full in cold weather to avoid water condensing in the fuel system.

Try to use your cruise control to maintain a steady speed. Remember that your car's efficiency is at its maximum at 50 mph.

Routinely check such as oil level and belts

In the heralded good ol' days, gas station attendants not only filled your car with gas but also looked under the hood to check oil level, belts and other important items. Now drivers may go months without checking the engine compartment. Generally, you should check the engine oil level weekly all year round, and the coolant level and the tire pressure weekly during cold weather.

Items that need to be checked monthly include window washer fluid, brake fluid, power steering fluid level and lights. Also, look at your belts and radiator hoses to make sure they aren't cracked.

Change your oil every 3,500 miles. You can do this yourself, but oil can be changed almost as inexpensively at service shops. An advantage to getting oil changed at a service shop is that the employees will also do undercarriage inspections, lubricate any necessary spots and properly dispose of the used oil.

In general, replace the car's spark plugs every 30,000 miles, sooner if the car feels sluggish.

At least every six months you should check or have checked the suspension, transmission fluid level, exhaust system and muffler, and the emergency brakes.

You will also want to check windshield wiper blades and the air pressure in your spare tire. Some items on your car will need to be replaced every year or two. Check vacuum hoses and replace if they are cracked, and replace your air, fuel and PCV filters.

To avoid unnecessary wear on tires, rotate them every year or so.

Usually you can depend on having to replace some items, such as distributor caps, batteries, shock absorbers and spark plug wires, about every three or four years.

Be aware of recommended service schedules

Just how often you need to service your car may also vary depending on how often and where you drive it and what type of car you have. The vehicle manufacturer will make some servicing recommendations, but remember that these are based on tests that they run on the car's own way you may use a car over the years.

You can consult a good mechanic or service manager to find out when items should be checked or replaced. Another good source is your local library, which carries plenty of books on automobile care and maintenance.

Record all services and repairs performed on your car

Finally, record the checks and repairs you make on your car in an automotive log that lists the purpose of the repair, where it was done, the invoice number, the cost and the odometer reading. When it comes time to sell or trade your car, you can ask top dollar because you can prove it's been meticulously maintained.

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Puttin' on the ritz — The Granite City Eagles Auxiliary 1126 recently held a funny style show for the diabetes Eagle education and ways and means funds at the Eagles' home in Granite City. Far above, past presidents modeling some of the fashions are, from left, Vincine Zerlan, Ruth Jorgensen, Joanna Spencer, Vera Johnson, Millie Weatherford, Ellen Wallace and Barbara Modrusic. Above are, from left, Vera Johnson, Ruth Jorgensen, Helen Mueller, Ellen Wallace, Millie Weatherford, Joanna Spencer, Barbara Modrusic and Ann Pates.

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HOW TO

How to select a cellular phone

Do you always get home at the same time every night? Most people don't. That is why many enjoy the convenience of a cellular telephone. Before buying a cellular phone, here are some things you should consider.

Choose the type of cellular phone that fits your needs.
Cellular phones come in three categories. Base your choice on how you will be using your phone.

• **Mobile phone.** This is a car phone, usually installed permanently with an antenna affixed to the rear window, the center of the roof or the trunk lid. Car phones are good for security when traveling, and are convenient if you are caught in heavy traffic.

• **Transportables.** These phones are usually more expensive than car phones and can weigh from a pound to up to 10 pounds with a battery pack. Transportables are also called bag phones because they are about the size of a handbag. Some models can be mounted and wireless, and easily charged and hooked to a battery.

• **Portables.** Also called hand-held, these cellular phones can be as small as a calculator and weigh just 7 ounces, with a battery pack. People who wear pagers use these phones because they can respond directly to a call.

Before buying a phone, shop for the service.

Even if you never use your phone to make a call, you will be charged access fees, which will run about \$200 to \$400 a year. Before choosing a service company, find out which one offers the better deal.

Are charges for a cellular phone the same as for a regular phone?

With few exceptions, cellular phone bills are a lot like regular phone bills. Cellular phone users are billed for outgoing and incoming calls. Airtime is charged in 60-second increments. The charges begin when you press "Send" and continue until you press "End."

• **Tip:** Peak time hours are 7 a.m. to 7:59 p.m. Monday through Friday. Off-peak hours are 8 p.m. to 6:59 a.m. Monday through Friday, all day Saturday and Sunday, New Year's Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

Does my cellular phone come with special options?

Following is a list of features you may want to look for when purchasing a cellular phone.

• **Hands-free speakerphone.** If you plan to use your phone a lot when you are driving, a speakerphone is a much safer way to go, and is more convenient.

• **Memory.** Stores up to 100 (or more) phone numbers in memory.

• **Any-call answer.** You can use any button to answer your phone — much safer than trying to locate a specific button.

• **Hot buttons.** This option provides speed dialing for up to three numbers, with just one button.

• **Car adapter.** If you buy a portable phone, get a car adapter with a 3-watt booster for use in your car.

• **One-touch dialing.** A safety feature used when driving.

• **Built-in pager.** Your phone acts like a pager, flashing each caller's number.

• **Dual or multi-NAM.** Your phone can be linked to two or more carriers, each with a different phone number. This is convenient if you live in St. Charles but travel to Chicago often. You could obtain a second number for Chicago and pay only the local rates in Chicago.

• **Computer and fax compatibility.** You can plug in a cellular fax or modem into the phone to transmit data.

• **Special services.** These include call waiting, call forwarding, three-way calling, no-answer transfer and voice mail. Costs for these services range from free to a few dollars per month.

Other common questions or concerns to keep in mind about cellular phones.

• **What is roaming, and how are you charged for it?**

• **Does the company you're choosing have toll-free exchanges?**

• **What are the rates for local calls and are they convenient?**

• **What area is covered by your service company?**

• **Make sure you have a clear explanation of how and when you are billed.**

• **Choose a model that suits your needs.** Car phones cost less than hand-held models and have greater power for clearer reception. For portables, look into the flip-phones.

• **Make sure your area has digital service before buying a digital phone.**

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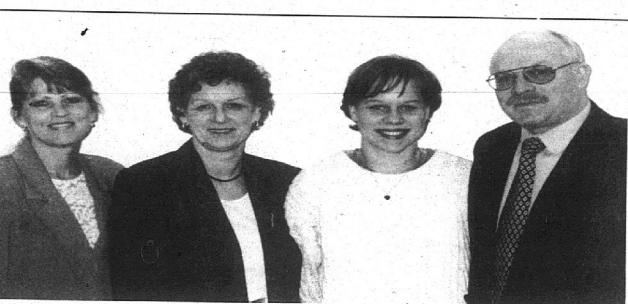
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SCHOOL NEWS



Winners — The following students won awards in the science fair for Mitchell School: front row, from left, Brett Smith, first grade, blue ribbon; Molly Caldera, first grade, white ribbon; John Caldera, third grade, white ribbon; Russ Manion, sixth grade, white ribbon; second row, Matthew Morton, fourth grade, white ribbon; Stacey Colp, fourth grade, white ribbon; third row, Maria Roady, sixth grade, red ribbon; Cara Paoli, fifth grade, red ribbon; Nicole Moore, fifth grade, white ribbon; fourth row, Brandy Gant, sixth grade, medallion; Brandon Hornsey, sixth grade, blue ribbon; Christopher Baugh, fourth grade, red ribbon; Caitlin Demaree, sixth grade, medallion; and Lindsey Angle, fifth grade, medallion.



In America — The Granite City Rotary Club recently hosted parents of German exchange student Kathrin Hoecke. Pictured from left are Gail Valle, chairman of the club's student exchange committee; Renate Hoecke, Kathrin's mother; Kathrin; and Gunther Hoecke, Kathrin's father. Each year, the local Rotary Club sponsors an outbound high school-age student and hosts a student from a foreign country.

St. Elizabeth names honor roll students

St. Elizabeth School has announced the honor roll for the second semester. In order to qualify, students must receive no more than three B's with all remaining grades being As. The students include:

Grade Eight
Megan Francis, Jay Genser, Mary Lofink, and Megan Lyerla.

Grade Seven
Elena Alegre, Laura Blankschien, David Dresch, Jonathan Franke, Nick Gaines, Scott Horrell, Diane Lickemburg, Cindy McGehee, Ryan McAttee, Ghislaine Mussen, Lisa Morrison, Lauren Puscsek, Kyle Whiteside and Nick Wichardt.

Grade Six
Jeff Bladdick, Brian Dittman, Nathan Gaudreault, David Hartwick, Jennifer Hay, Kelly Kondic, William Kutosky, Kristin McGehee, Scott Mullen, Jonathan Petri and Tony Ruesing.

Grade Five
Jason Ayran, Andy Busto, Courtney Clegg, Tessa Dalmore, Julie Dombek, Frank Dorris, Kelly Harris, Katie Hetscher, Lindsay Krekovich, Anna McAttee, Kendall McGehee, Nick Paskus, Tiffany Rath, Abel Silva and Laura Stanfill.

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Trees can bring enjoyment, beauty and shade to a front yard or garden. And trees provide a valuable environmental service. As it grows, every newly planted tree conditions the air by absorbing carbon dioxide and returning life-giving oxygen.

Select the type of tree you want.

If you want a shade tree, consider a red or white oak. For colorful autumn foliage, you should consider a sugar maple, ash, American elm, sweetgum or dogwood.

If you're looking for a flowering tree, perhaps one that bears fruit, consider a crab apple, cherry or pear tree.

Fruit trees often require special care. Fledgling planters should consider asking a nursery for planting and maintenance tips.

Pick a suitable site.

Site selection is very important. You need enough space and the right soil. If you want a large shade tree, you will need an open area 40 to 60 feet in circumference. Avoid planting a tree too close to your home.

If you can, have the soil tested to see if it has the proper nutrients. Urban and suburban soils often are imported from somewhere else. They are usually compacted after contractors deposit them on home sites.

Go to a nursery and find a tree that suits your needs. Ask questions. Shop around.

Prepare the planting area.

Use a tiller or shovel to loosen and mix an area of soil that is five times the diameter of the tree's root ball. The soil should be loosened to a depth equal to the height of the root ball. Organic matter can be added to the loosened soil as long as the new material is used uniformly throughout the whole area.

In the center of the prepared area, dig a hole in which to plant the tree. The hole should be deep enough to allow the top of the root ball to be level with the top of the hole.

Place the tree in the ground.

When planting the tree, the root ball should rest on solid, not loosened, soil. After the tree is securely in place, cut and remove the rope or wires holding the burlap in place around the ball and remove the burlap. Position the tree so that it is perpendicular to the ground around the main stem is growing straight up.

Break around the roots and gently pack the soil to prevent major air pockets. Do not pack the soil too hard. Use water instead of your foot to settle the soil.

Rake the soil evenly over the entire area and cover it with 2 to 4 inches of mulch, such as bark, wood chips, old sawdust, pine needles, rotting leaves or the like.

Take care not to pile the mulch against the tree trunk. Keep it at least 2 inches away.

Water and nourish the tree.

Keep the tree watered during dry spells. Use nutrients if necessary. Ask your nursery which ones are recommended for your tree and soil.

Tre spikes are effective but probably the most expensive way to nourish a tree. Mixed solutions are cheaper.

Decide if staking is necessary.

It's best not to stake the tree, but if wind is a problem or if the tree is leaning, support it with a flexible stake — if you can find one — so that the trunk will sway in the wind. If you decide to stake your tree, don't tie it too tight. Use thick string, leather thongs or soft rope — something with a little give and stretch to it. Remove the ties after one year because leaving string around the tree can kill it.

Protect the tree from hazards.

Finally, you should protect your growing tree from the dangers of lawn mowers and string trimmers. Durable plastic tree guards will shield fragile young trunks and keep soft bark from being stripped away.

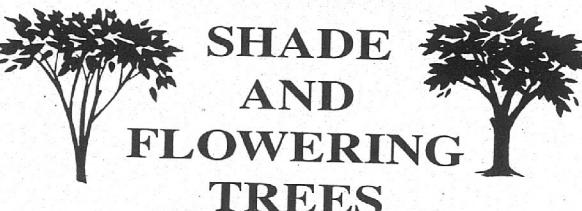
Do not wrap a tree trunk with "protective" tape. It will slow the tree's ability to adapt to the site and provide a cozy home for insects.

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Students excel at ensemble contest

Members of the Granite City Grade School Band, under the direction of Mary Ann Davis, participated in the annual music district solo and ensemble contest, held at North Junior High School in Collinsville on March 16.

Students prepared solos and ensembles and performed for a judge who rated their performance. Students could receive either first division, second division or third division ratings. The Granite City students received five first division ratings and nine second division ratings. Piano students were under the direction of Rebecca Thomas and Don Stratton. Pianists and their accompanists for the event were Diane Davis and Judy Burnam.

Results were:

SOLOS
 Marshall School
 First division rating
 Sarah Worthen, flute; Erin Hull, flute; Ashlee Fuller, clarinet; Laura Lengyel, clarinet; Shelly Williams, alto sax; Jonathan Hedges, trumpet; Amanda Jones, piano; Jennifer Mull, piano; Laura Lengyel, piano; Sarah Worthen, piano; Shelly Williams, piano and Second division rating
 Ryan Hoebebeck, alto sax; and Jason Youngberg, alto sax.

Frohardt School
 First division rating
 Nichol Tieman, flute; Danielle Waligorski, flute; Candace Bonvicino, clarinet; Laura Spurlock, clarinet; Emily Skobly, clarinet; Aaron Stolzen, alto sax; Debra Sonnen, trumpet; Mark Ledbetter, cornet; Monica Morrison, snare drum; Shawn Newman, snare drum; Steve Strain, snare drum; and Megan Gibbs, snare drum.

Second division rating
 Brian Patrick, snare drum.
Prather School
 First division rating
 Ashley Belles, flute.
 Second division rating
 Robin Hartman, clarinet; and Mikail Andria, French horn.

Lake School
 First division rating
 Linda Roberts, bass clarinet; and Ashley Connally, French horn.

Second division rating
 Justin Rumpf, cornet.
Niedringhaus School
 First division rating
 Ariane Sendejas, flute; Kristi Sarich, clarinet; Ryan Herman, trumpet; and Jodi Werner.

French horn: Lauren Copedge; French horn: Adam Stevens, tuba; Matt Burrus, snare drum; and Jeremy Niedringhaus, snare drum.

Second division rating
 Cody Anderson, snare drum.

Marshall School

First division rating
 Jonathan Morlen, snare drum and Jonathan Morlen, drums.

ENSEMBLE

First division rating
 Flute quartet: Erin Hull, Maryville; Nichol Tieman and Danielle Waligorski, both of Frohardt; and Amanda Cuvar, Mitchell.

Flute duet: Erin Hull and Nichol Tieman.

Drum and cymbal: Ashley Belles and Courtney Testerman, both of Prather.

Clarinet duet: Kristi Sarich, Niedringhaus, and Linda Roberts, Lake.

Clarinet trio: Ashlee Fuller, Laura Lengyel and Melodi Winters, all of Maryville.

Clarinet quartet: Ronnie Morlen, Marshall; Ashlee Fuller, Laura Lengyel, both of Maryville; and Laurie Leney, Maryville.

Clarinet quartet: Robin Baker, Andria, Prather; Ashley Connelly, Lake and Jodi Werner, Niedringhaus.

Snare drum duet: Jeremy Niedringhaus and Cody Anderson.

Second division rating
 French horn trio: Mikail Andria, Prather; Ashley Connelly, Lake and Jodi Werner, Niedringhaus.

Snare drum duet: Jeremy Niedringhaus and Cody Anderson.

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Alto sax duet: Ryan Hoebebeck and Jason Youngberg, both of Maryville.

Sax quartet: Stephanie Williams, Maryville; Aaron Stoval, Frohardt; and Matthew Grotewell, Brandy Gant, both of Mitchell.

Flute duet: Nichol Tieman and Danielle Waligorski.

Cornet Trio: Mark Ledbetter and Doreen Sanchez, both of Frohardt; and Ryan Herman, Niedringhaus.

Brass quintet: Darren Young, Mitchell; Ryan Herman and Lauren Copedge, both of Niedringhaus; Jonathan Hedges, Maryville; and Adam Stevens, tuba.

Snare drum trio: Jeremy Niedringhaus, Cody Anderson and Matt Burrus, all of Niedringhaus.

Percussion quintet: Shawn Newman, Steve Strain and Megan Gibbs, all of Frohardt; Cody Anderson and Jeremy Niedringhaus, both of Niedringhaus.

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Poet, magazine editor, and workshop leader Darlene Roy of East St. Louis will read from her work at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 2, at the University of Edwardsville.

Roy, an associate editor of *Drumbeat*, a literary magazine, will be the third author in the 1996 Reading Series, now in its sixth year at SIUE. She will be reading in the Lovejoy Library auditorium.

Also, as part of the series, at 7 p.m. that night she will conduct a round poetry reading in Room 2085 of State Community College, 601 James R. Thompson Blvd., East St. Louis. There is no admission charge for these events.

She will also conduct a workshop for creative writers at 10:30 a.m. that day at SIUE in Room 2408 of Peck Classroom Building and will be a featured author in a forum on black history and literature in the Red Bud-Oak Room of SIUE's University Center.

As part of the series, Roy represents a cross-section of cultural and stylistic temperaments who have been visiting SIUE and the region between February and April. Sponsored this year by the SIUE Department of English language and literature, the series is also co-sponsored by the EBB (East St. Louis) Writers Club and the SIUE Black History Month Committee.

Roy, president of the EBB Writers Club, was a featured reader recently at the National Black Arts Festival in Atlanta, Ga.

Also recently, her poem, "Black Bridge Blues," was posted in some 500 McDonald's restaurants and buses in the State Development Agency as part of the Metropolitan/Art Thomas Project.

For more information, call Professor Eugene Redmond of the SIUE department of English language and literature, 692-2060.

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The Steens have received this award for the third consecutive year. The Steens' franchisor, Sam Temperato, said that "this was the first time in our history that this award has been won by a store for three consecutive years. All in all, it is quite an accomplishment."

Dawn Steen gives a lot of the credit to their young staff, who she says "are not afraid to work hard and take a personal pride in their work." She also believes that much of their success has been based on the initials QVSC, which represent quality, value, service and cleanliness, which have been instilled into their employees' attitude toward their customers.

The Steens feel blessed to have such a great staff and customer base. They also are going to try to make it possible to win a fourth consecutive "Golden DQ Award."

The Steens also received another prestigious award for 1995.

They received the "Top Miracle Maker Award" from the Children's Miracle Network. They earned this award by raising more money (more than \$13,000) than any other Dairy Queen store in the St. Louis area.

Temperato said that the CMN is the official charity of the Dairy Queen Industry. The St. Louis area has been the top Dairy Queen fund raiser for the CMN for the past five years. In 1995, the area raised more than \$133 million for Children's hospitals all over the United States and Canada. Locally, the CMN raised \$1.4 million, which is divided equally between St. Louis Children's Hospital and Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital. The Dairy Queen stores in the St. Louis area contributed \$195,000 toward this total.

It is important to note that all of the money raised in the St. Louis area stays right here



Shown are, from left, Sam Temperato, president of Dairy Queen — St. Louis; Dawn and Bob Steen, owners of the Pontoon Beach Dairy Queen; and Crest Oelke, president of Dairy Queen — St. Louis.

In St. Louis.

Dawn Steen adds that they have "a very compassionate staff who are 'kid-friendly' and want to help sick children, and the CMN gives them that opportunity." She is quick to give credit to "our customers of Pontoon Beach, Granite City and the

surrounding areas, who put up the dollars that make it all possible."

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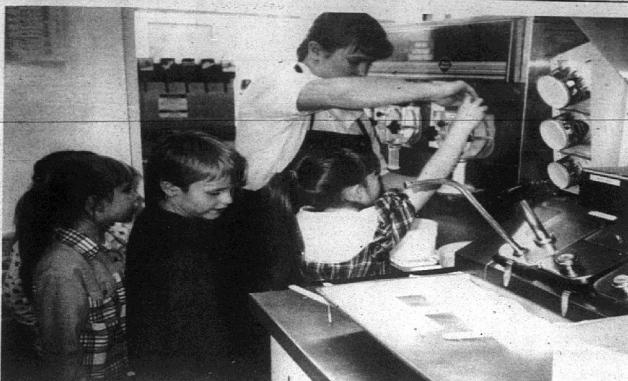
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1810 WALLPAPER

1810 WATERPROOFING

1810 WOODWORKING

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Helping Jody Cross, an employee of Dairy Queen in Pontoon Beach, serve ice cream was a treat for the students.

Hands-on learning

Kindergarten students get new experiences

The students at Niedringhaus Elementary School have enjoyed several hands-on learning experiences this year because of all-day kindergarten. The children have studied in class about community helpers and have had several guest visitors, along with field trips to see community helpers in action.

Debbie Harris and Christy Hieb, teachers along with their classroom aides, Vicki Sarich and Julie Weidner, have visited the main fire station, post office, main hospital, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Madison County Transit station, Schnucks Grocery Store, and Dairy Queen in Pontoon Beach.

The police department, firemen and paramedics visited the classrooms.

Harris' class had a special treat from Mr. Batsios, owner of the Batsios Restaurant in St. Louis, who made breakfast for the class.

The kindergarten classes have also worked on several projects with the eighth-grade students at Coolidge Middle School.

A very special field trip is being planned for Christmas with the kindergarten and eighth-grade students.



Students toured St. Elizabeth Medical Center with aide Vicki Sarich.



Granite City Library employee Andi Miller took the students on a tour of the library.



Doug Winfield, an employee at the Granite City Post Office, explains postal procedures to the students.

Eagles Auxiliary members attend central conference

Five members of the Granite City Eagles Auxiliary 1126 attended the central zone conference in Springfield March 8-10. A dinner and social evening was held Friday.

Those attending from Granite City were Joann Spencer, rotary club trustee; Ruth Jorgensen, state Eagle edition chairman; Ann Pates; Florence "Fuzzi" Hagnauer and Vincie Zerlan. Ken Spencer, Granite City Aerie 1126 secretary, and Craig Myers also attended.

Sharon DeHeve, Springfield Auxiliary member and past state president, gave the opening address. Ruth Brown, state chaplain, gave the invocation. DeHeve introduced the Springfield Auxiliary president, Ruth George, who then introduced her officers.

The grand and state officers were introduced: Linda Heffner, grand auxiliary chaplain; Sue McCoy, state president; Lorraine Clancy, state secretary; Spencer and Jorgensen.

A roll call of auxiliaries was taken. There were 104 ladies and two visitors present.

Ken Spencer won the sweatshirt from one of the state raffles.

McCoy spoke on the state convention, to be held in June, and the trophies that will be presented by the chairman at the convention. She also requested that all by-law changes be submitted to Betty Rohr 30 days before to the convention.

Cheri Stewart spoke on the prayer breakfast. The cost has been changed from \$8 to \$9. Microphones are expensive to rent and each auxiliary and Aerie will try to furnish one from their own funds.

McCoy called on the membership team, Shirley Curry, membership chairman, gave out ribbons, pins and certificates to those who had signed up one or more members. She announced that the cost of the membership dinner would be \$11 this year.

A contest was held for the best butterfly costume. Karen Piest won the prize. The butterfly is the state symbol this year.

The state project chairman and her team sang a song about the butterflies. The membership team did a skit about a caterpillar. This has been an on-going, friendly competition.

Heffner spoke about "Women of Wonder." Those named who had won and had five qualities it takes—courage, focus, confidentiality, sacrifice and spirituality—were Susan B. Anthony, who worked for women's rights and focused on the right of women to work and earn the same wage as men; Mother Theresa, who worked for missions of charity and has inspired others; and Virginia Turner, grand auxiliary convention coordinator, who was a tough lady, but worked hard.

Heffner said that the auxiliaries are like the fibers of a web. They work together as one should. The more the fiber works, the stronger they become.

McCoy announced that the grand madam president, Lorraine Grimes, will be in the state Illinois at the following locations: May 17 in Flora, May 18 in Aurora and May 19 in Rockford.

All secretaries present picked up their credentials from Lorraine Clancy for the delegates to the convention. Granite City will have eight delegates to convention.

The banquet was held with the grand Aerie vice president, Bill Blum, and his wife, Linda Heffner, with Charles Cuoco, Aerie state chaplain, as guest.

Bill East, central zone chairman, called up the Thunderbirds and introduced them. He presented a \$1,000 check to the Springfield DARE program.

Lois DeHeve was presented a \$500 check for the Eagle Education Fund. Rosie Knox presented a \$2,000 check to a representative of the Park Center Seven Fund, which is a child abuse center.

The roll call stated 60 men and 97 ladies in attendance.

The central zone conference will be held March 14-16 in Streeter.

Lanter to receive honor

Wayne Lanter, chairman and CEO of Lanter Co., will receive the 1996 Excellence in Enterprise Award at the McKendree College Free Enterprise Lecture Series luncheon which will be held at the Missouri Athletic Club at noon, April 26.

The award recognizes a member of the greater St. Louis business community who has made the spirit of entrepreneurship demonstrated the skills that make enterprising efforts successful. The award includes a scholarship to a McKendree senior in the name of the honoree.

Lanter started out a milkman in the early 50s. Lanter has built a warehouse, trucking and distribution business that serves 14 states in the Midwest and Southwest. Lanter was in his early 20s when he started delivering milk door-to-door. He has expanded his business and "just-in-time" delivery before it became a trend. He has made a career out of delivering products that require special handling such as milk, meat, candy, bank checks and photographic film.

Part-time magician and full-time professor of economics, Laurence Moss will be the guest speaker at the luncheon. Professor Moss is a

nationally celebrated lecturer and workshop leader in the area of economic education. A professor at Babson College in New England, he has been asked to design and administer an intensive seminar to explain high-ranking Federal executives slated for the Senior Executive Service how the market economy functions and the major policy alternatives facing the nation.

"On an Economist Predict the Election of a President?" is the topic Moss will address at the Free Enterprise luncheon. Moss, who has been featured on NBC's "Today Show," is a former student of D. Vernon Johnson, University of Missouri, and has taught at the City College of New York, Columbia University, University of Virginia Law and Diplomacy.

In 1993 Moss was featured in "U.S. News and World Report" for his unique teaching methods.

Cost for the luncheon is \$25 per person. Table sponsorships are also available at \$500. For more information, to reserve tickets, from Illinois call 618-537-6860 or from St. Louis call 314-438-3301 ext. 6860.

Births

Lehmann

Timothy and Sarah Lehmann of Edwardsville have announced the birth of their third child, a son.

Luke Lehmann was born at 5:24 a.m. on March 1, 1996, at Anderson Hospital and weighed 9 pounds, 6 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are William and Mary Pascon of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Edward and Betty Lehmann of St. Louis.

Luke joins Amanda, 8 and Allen, 7.

Stenberg

Tony Stenberg and Maria Carrillo of Collinsville have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Breanna Marie was born at 8:11 a.m. on March 1, 1996, at Anderson Hospital and weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Irene and Lee Gonzales of

Granite City

Paternal grandparents are William Steinberg of Columbia, Ill., and Ruth of Smithton.

Breanna joins Raymond Aljando Loza, 1 yr.

Ward

Dewayne and Paula Ward of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Reye Reye was born at 9:57 a.m. on March 1, 1996, at Anderson Hospital and weighed 6 pounds, 15 1/2 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Alfred and Phyllis Mitchell of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Fred and Sue Ward of Granite City, and Tom and Barb Brannon of Vandalia, Ill.

Travis joins Breanna, 7.

Farmer

Brian and Connie Farmer of Alhambra have announced the birth of their second child, a

son.

Tanner Richard was born at 8:46 p.m. on March 1, 1996, at Anderson Hospital and weighed 7 pounds, 7 1/2 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Richard and Darlene Rehken of Alhambra.

Paternal grandparents are Richard Farmer of St. Louis.

Tanner joins Joshua, 7 1/2.

Kehler

Alan and Tammy Kehler of Glen Carbon have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Ashley Lynn was born at 4:25 a.m. on March 2, 1996, at Anderson Hospital and weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Vicki and Rita Padfield of Breece.

Paternal grandparents are Gordon and Dolores Kehler of New Baden.

Tanya and Jason Richter of Lebanon, a boy.

In the classroom

Eastern Illinois

Approximately 1,000 students have been named to Eastern Illinois University's Fall 1995 dean's list.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must be in the top 10 percent of his or her college while carrying a full course load.

Local students named to the list were:

Granite City: Donna Marie Delay.

S. Illinois-Carbondale

A total of 2,385 graduates and undergraduate students were candidates for degrees from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale in December.

Degree recipients will be recognized May 10 to 12 during spring commencement exercises on campus.

Granite City: B. Edward Bodnam Jr., MACC.

S. Illinois-Edwardsville

The 1995-96 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges will include many students from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

A campus nominating committee and the editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and academic record for each student.

They join an elite group of students from more than 1,800 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several nations.

Local students named this year from SIEU are:

Granite City:

Tiffany Hicks — University

Outer-World Student Leadership

Program 1995 Martin Luther King Jr.

Planning Committee, and

National Alcohol Collegiate

Awareness Week Planning Committee

Sydney Mullen — Dean's

Friends of Art Award,

and National Art Education

Association.

Bellefonte Area College

Eighty-eight Belleville Area College students will be among the names in the 1996 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.

The students were chosen by campus nominating committees based on their academic achievements, services to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

The local BAC students in Who's Who include:

GRANITE CITY: Linda Barnes, Christy Cahill, Bridgette Flowers, and Brenda Padgett.

VENICE: LaShonda Coleman.

